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## INHIBITORS OF PHOSPHODIESTERASE TYPE-IV

### Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to isoxazoline derivatives, which can be used as selective inhibitors of phosphodiesterase (PDE) type IV. In particular, compounds disclosed herein can be useful in the treatment of AIDS, asthma, arthritis, bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), psoriasis, allergic rhinitis, shock, atopic dermatitis, Crohn's disease, adult respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), eosinophilic granuloma, allergic conjunctivitis, osteoarthritis, ulcerative colitis and other inflammatory diseases in a patient, particularly in humans. The present invention also relates to processes for the preparation of disclosed compounds, as well as pharmaceutical compositions thereof, and their use as phosphodiesterase (PDE) type IV inhibitors.

### Background of the Invention

It is known that cyclic adenosine-3',5'-monophosphate (cAMP) exhibits an important role of acting as an intracellular secondary messenger. The intracellular hydrolysis of cAMP to adenosine 5'-monophosphate (AMP) causes a number of inflammatory conditions, which include, but are not limited to, psoriasis, allergic rhinitis, shock, atopic dermatitis, Crohn's disease, adult respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), eosinophilic granuloma, allergic conjunctivitis, osteoarthritis, and ulcerative colitis. Cyclic nucleotide phosphodiesterases (PDE), a biochemically and functionally, highly variable superfamily of the enzyme, is the most important factor in the control of cAMP (as well as of cGMP) levels. Eleven distinct families with more than 25 gene products are currently recognized. Although PDE I, PDE II, PDE III, PDE IV, and PDE VII all use cAMP as a substrate, only the PDE IV and PDE VII types are highly selective for hydrolysis of cAMP. Accordingly, inhibitors of PDE, particularly the PDE IV inhibitors, such as rolipram or Ro-1724, are known as cAMP-enhancers. Immune cells contain PDE IV and PDE III, of which PDE IV is prevalent in human mononuclear cells. Thus, the inhibition of phosphodiesterase type IV has been a target for modulation and, accordingly, for therapeutic intervention in a range of disease processes.

The initial observation that xanthine derivatives, theophylline and caffeine inhibit the hydrolysis of cAMP led to the discovery of the required hydrolytic activity in the cyclic nucleotide phosphodiesterase (PDE) enzymes. More recently, distinct classes of

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PDE have been recognized, and their selective inhibition has led to improved drug therapy. Thus, it was recognized that inhibition of PDE IV could lead to inhibition of inflammatory mediator release and airway smooth muscle relaxation.

3-Aryl-2-isoxazoline derivatives are known as anti-inflammatory agents and isoxazoline compounds are known as inhibitors of TNF release. However, there remains a need for new selective inhibitors of phosphodiesterase (PDE) type IV.

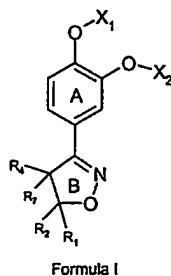
### Summary of the Invention

The present invention provides isoxazoline derivatives, which can be used for the treatment of AIDS, asthma, arthritis, bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), psoriasis, allergic rhinitis, shock, atopic dermatitis, Crohn's disease, adult respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), eosinophilic granuloma, allergic conjunctivitis, osteoarthritis, ulcerative colitis and other inflammatory diseases, and the processes for the synthesis of these compounds.

Pharmaceutically acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-oxides of these compounds having the same type of activity are also provided.

Pharmaceutical compositions containing the compounds, which may also contain pharmaceutically acceptable carriers or diluents, can be used for the treatment of AIDS, asthma, arthritis, bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), psoriasis, allergic rhinitis, shock, atopic dermatitis, Crohn's disease, adult respiratory distress syndrome, eosinophilic granuloma, allergic conjunctivitis, osteoarthritis, ulcerative colitis and other inflammatory diseases.

The present invention encompasses a compound having the structure of Formula I,



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and its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-oxides, wherein

$R_1$  and  $R_2$  together forms an optionally substituted cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring wherein one or more optional substituent are oxo, alkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocyclylalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl,  $-SO_2NR_xR_y$ , halogen,  $-NH_2$ ,  $-(CH_2)_gC(=O)NR_xR_y$ ,  $-NHC(=O)OR_6$ ,  $-NHC(=O)NR_xR_y$ ,  $-C(=O)OR_3$ ,  $-NHC(=O)R_x$ ,  $-SO_2R_3$ , cyano, hydroxy, alkoxy, substituted amino,  $-C(=O)R_3$ ;

$R_4$  can be hydrogen; alkyl; hydroxy; halogen; carboxy;

$R_7$  can be hydrogen; alkyl;

$R_1$  is independently hydrogen or alkyl and  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  forms an optionally substituted 4-12 membered saturated or unsaturated monocyclic or bicyclic ring system fused to ring B having 0-4 heteroatom(s) selected from the group consisting of N, O and S, wherein the substituents is one or more of oxo, alkyl,  $-C(=O)OR_3$ ,  $-SO_2R_3$ , halogen, hydroxy, alkoxy,  $-NH_2$  or substituted amino, with the proviso that  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  together does not form  $-CH_2-O-CH_2-O-CH_2-$ ;

$X_1$  and  $X_2$  can be hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl,  $-(CH_2)_gC(=O)NR_xR_y$  or  $-(CH_2)_{g1}C(=O)OR_3$  (wherein  $g$  can be an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  can be an integer from 1-3);

$X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A shown in Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;

wherein  $R_3$  can be alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;

wherein the halogen can be F, Cl, Br, or I;  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently can be hydrogen, alkyl,  $C_3-C_6$  alkenyl,  $C_3-C_6$  alkynyl, carboxy, cycloalkyl,  $-S(O)_mR_5$ , aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and heterocyclylalkyl;  $m$  can be an integer between 0-2;  $R_6$  can be alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroarylalkyl or heterocyclylalkyl;

wherein  $R_5$  can be hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl;

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The following definitions apply to terms as used herein:

The term "alkyl," unless otherwise specified, refers to a monoradical branched or unbranched saturated hydrocarbon having from 1 to about 20 carbon atoms. This term is exemplified by groups, such as methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, iso-propyl, n-butyl, iso-butyl, t-butyl, n-hexyl, n-decyl, tetradecyl, and the like. The alkyl groups may be further substituted with one or more substituents such as alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyl, acyl, acylamino, acyloxy, amino, aminocarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylamino, azido, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, oxo, thiocarbonyl, carboxy, arylthio, thiol, alkylthio, aryloxy, aminosulfonyl, aminocarbonylamino, hydroxyamino, alkoxyamino, nitro, -S(O)<sub>n</sub>R<sub>5</sub> (wherein n can be 0, 1 or 2 and R<sub>5</sub> can be hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl), heterocyclyl or heteroaryl. Unless otherwise constrained by the definition, all substituents may optionally be further substituted by 1-3 substituents chosen from alkyl, carboxy, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, -CF<sub>3</sub>, amino, substituted amino, cyano, and -S(O)<sub>n</sub>R<sub>5</sub> (wherein n and R<sub>5</sub> are the same as defined earlier) or an alkyl group as defined above that is interrupted by 1-5 atoms or groups independently chosen from oxygen, sulfur and -NR<sub>a</sub>- (where R<sub>a</sub> can be hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, or aryl). Unless otherwise constrained by the definition, all substituents may optionally be further substituted by 1-3 substituents chosen from alkyl, carboxy, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, CF<sub>3</sub>, amino, substituted amino, cyano, and -S(O)<sub>n</sub>R<sub>5</sub> (wherein n and R<sub>5</sub> are the same as defined earlier); or an alkyl group as defined above that has both substituents as defined above and is also interrupted by 1-5 atoms or groups as defined above.

The term "alkenyl," unless otherwise specified, refers to a monoradical of a branched or unbranched unsaturated hydrocarbon group preferably having from 2 to 20 carbon atoms with cis or trans geometry. Preferred alkenyl groups include ethenyl or vinyl (CH=CH<sub>2</sub>), 1-propylene or allyl (-CH<sub>2</sub>CH=CH<sub>2</sub>), or iso-propylene (-C(CH<sub>3</sub>)=CH<sub>2</sub>), bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene, and the like. In the event that the alkenyl is attached to a heteroatom, the double bond cannot be alpha to the heteroatom. The alkenyl group may be further substituted with one or more substituents, such as alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyl, acyl, acylamino, acyloxy, amino, aminocarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylamino, azido, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, oxo, thiocarbonyl, carboxy,

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arylthio, thiol, alkylthio, aryl, aryloxy, aminosulfonyl, aminocarbonylamino, hydroxyamino, alkoxyamino, nitro,  $-S(O)_nR_5$  (wherein  $n$  and  $R_5$  are the same as defined earlier), heterocyclyl or heteroaryl. Unless otherwise constrained by the definition, all substituents may be optionally further substituted by 1-3 substituents, which can be alkyl, carboxy, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen,  $-CF_3$ , amino, substituted amino, cyano, or  $-S(O)_nR_5$  (wherein  $R_5$  and  $n$  are the same as defined earlier).

The term "alkynyl," unless otherwise specified, refers to a monoradical of an unsaturated hydrocarbon, preferably having from 2 to 20 carbon atoms. Preferred alkynyl groups include ethynyl,  $(-C\equiv CH)$ , or propargyl (or propynyl,  $-CH_2C\equiv CH$ ), and the like. In the event that the alkynyl is attached to a heteroatom, the triple bond cannot be alpha to the heteroatom. The alkynyl group may be further substituted with one or more substituents, such as alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyl, acyl, acylamino, acyloxy, amino, aminocarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylamino, azido, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, oxo, thiocarbonyl, carboxy, arylthio, thiol, alkylthio, aryl, aryloxy, aminosulfonyl, aminocarbonylamino, hydroxyamino, alkoxyamino, nitro, or  $-S(O)_nR_5$  (wherein  $R_5$  is the same as defined earlier). Unless otherwise constrained by the definition, all substituents may be optionally further substituted by 1-3 substituents, which can be alkyl, carboxy, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen,  $CF_3$ , amino, substituted amino, cyano or  $-S(O)_nR_5$  (wherein  $R_5$  and  $n$  are the same as defined earlier).

The term "cycloalkyl," unless otherwise specified, refers to saturated or unsaturated cyclic alkyl groups of from 3 to 20 carbon atoms having a single cyclic ring or multiple condensed rings, which contains an optional olefinic bond. Such cycloalkyl groups include, by way of example, single ring structures, such as cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclooctyl, cyclopropylene, cyclobutylene and the like, or multiple ring structures, such as adamantanyl, and bicyclo [2.2.1]heptane, or cyclic alkyl groups to which is fused an aryl group, for example, indane and the like. The cycloalkyl may be further substituted with one or more substituents such as alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkoxy, cycloalkyl, acyl, acylamino, acyloxy, amino, aminocarbonyl, alkoxycarbonylamino, azido, cyano, halogen, hydroxy, oxo, thiocarbonyl, carboxy, arylthio, thiol, alkylthio, aryl, aryloxy, alkaryloxy, aminosulfonyl, aminocarbonylamino, hydroxyamino, alkoxyamino, nitro,  $-S(O)_nR_5$  (wherein  $R_5$  is the same as defined earlier), heteroaryl or heterocyclyl. Unless otherwise constrained by the definition, all substituents may be optionally further

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substituted by 1-3 substituents, which can be alkyl, carboxy, aminocarbonyl, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen,  $\text{CF}_3$ ,  $-\text{NH}_2$ , substituted amino, cyano, or  $-\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{R}_5$  (wherein  $\text{R}_5$  and  $n$  are the same as defined earlier).

5 The term "alkoxy" denotes the group O-alkyl, wherein alkyl is the same as defined above.

The term "alkaryl" refers to alkyl-aryl linked through alkyl portion (wherein alkyl is the same as defined earlier) and the alkyl portion contains carbon atoms from 1-6 and aryl is same as defined below.

10 The term "aryl," unless otherwise specified, refers to phenyl or naphthyl ring, and the like, optionally substituted with 1 to 3 substituents selected from the group consisting of halogen (such as F, Cl, Br, I), hydroxy, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, aryloxy,  $-\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{R}_5$  (wherein  $\text{R}_5$  is the same as defined earlier), cyano, nitro, carboxy, heterocyclyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclylalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, acyl and  $(\text{CH}_2)_{0-3}\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{NR}_x\text{R}_y$  (wherein  $\text{R}_x$  and  $\text{R}_y$  are same as defined earlier).

15 The term "carboxy," unless otherwise specified, refers to  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{O}-\text{R}_6$ , wherein  $\text{R}_6$  can be, for example, hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroarylalkyl or heterocyclylalkyl.

20 The term "heteroaryl," unless otherwise specified, refers to an aromatic ring structure containing 5 or 6 carbon atoms, or a bicyclic aromatic group having 8 to 10 carbon atoms, with one or more heteroatom(s) independently selected from the group consisting of N, O and S, optionally substituted with 1 to 3 substituent(s), such as halogen (F, Cl, Br, I), hydroxy, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, aryl,  $-\text{S}(\text{O})_n\text{R}_5$  (wherein  $n$  and  $\text{R}_5$  are the same as defined earlier), alkoxy, alkaryl, cyano, nitro, acyl or  $\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{NR}_x\text{R}_y$  (wherein  $\text{R}_x$  and  $\text{R}_y$  are the same as defined earlier). Examples of heteroaryl groups  
25 include, but are not limited to, pyridinyl, pyridazinyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrrolyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, thienyl, isoxazolyl, triazinyl, furanyl, benzofuranyl, indolyl, benzothiazolyl, benzoxazolyl, and the like, including analogous oxygen, sulphur, and mixed hetero atom containing groups.

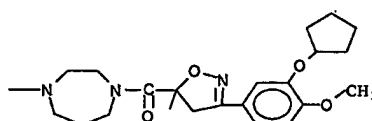
30 The term "heterocyclyl," unless otherwise specified, refers to a saturated or unsaturated monocyclic or polycyclic ring having 5 to 10 atoms, in which 1 to 3 carbon atoms in a ring are replaced by heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of O, S and

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N, and optionally are benzofused or fused heteroaryl of 5-6 ring members and/or optionally are substituted, wherein the substituents can be halogen (F, Cl, Br, I), hydroxy, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, hydroxyalkyl, cycloalkyl, carboxy, aryl, alkoxy, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclalkyl, oxo, alkoxyalkyl or -S(O)<sub>n</sub>R<sub>5</sub> (wherein n and R<sub>5</sub> are the same as defined earlier), cyano, nitro, -NH<sub>2</sub> substituted amino, acyl or -C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> (wherein R<sub>x</sub> and R<sub>y</sub> are the same as defined earlier). Examples of heterocyclyl groups include, but are not limited to, tetrahydrofuranyl, dihydrofuranyl, azabicyclohexane dihydropyridinyl, piperidinyl, isoxazoline, piperazinyl, dihydrobenzofuryl, isoindole-dione, dihydroindolyl,



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and the like.

“Heteroarylalkyl,” unless otherwise specified, refers to an alkyl-heteroaryl group, wherein the alkyl and heteroaryl portions are the same as defined earlier.

“Heterocyclalkyl,” unless otherwise specified, refers to an alkyl-heterocyclyl group, wherein the alkyl and heterocyclyl portions of the group are the same as defined earlier.

The term “acyl” as defined herein refers to -C(=O)R”, wherein R” is the same as defined earlier.

The term “substituted amino,” unless otherwise specified, refers to a group -N(R<sub>k</sub>)<sub>2</sub> wherein each R<sub>k</sub> can be hydrogen [provided that both R<sub>k</sub> groups are not hydrogen (defined as “-NH<sub>2</sub>”)], alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, alkaryl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heterocyclalkyl, heteroarylalkyl, acyl, S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub> (wherein m and R<sub>5</sub> is the same as defined above), -C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub>, -C(=O)OR<sub>x</sub> (wherein R<sub>x</sub> and R<sub>y</sub> are the same as defined earlier) or -NHC(=O)NR<sub>y</sub>R<sub>x</sub> (wherein R<sub>y</sub> and R<sub>x</sub> are the same as defined earlier).

Unless otherwise constrained by the definition, all substituents optionally may be further substituted by 1-3 substituents, which can be alkyl, alkaryl, cycloalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, carboxy, hydroxy, alkoxy, halogen, -CF<sub>3</sub>, cyano, -C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub>,



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-O(C=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> (wherein R<sub>x</sub> and R<sub>y</sub> are the same as defined earlier) and -OC(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub> (where R<sub>5</sub> is the same as defined above and m is 0, 1 or 2).

The compounds of the present invention can be used for treating AIDS, asthma, arthritis, bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, psoriasis, allergic rhinitis, shock, atopic dermatitis, crohn's disease, adult respiratory distress syndrome, eosinophilic granuloma, allergic conjunctivitis, osteoarthritis, ulcerative colitis and other inflammatory diseases. Accordingly, the present invention encompasses a method of treating AIDS, asthma, arthritis, bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, psoriasis, allergic rhinitis, shock, atopic dermatitis, crohn's disease, adult respiratory distress syndrome, eosinophilic granuloma, allergic conjunctivitis, osteoarthritis, ulcerative colitis or other inflammatory diseases, which comprises administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of an isoxazoline derivative compound of the present invention, and particularly an isoxazoline derivative compound of the present invention together a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient or diluent.

In accordance with yet another aspect, there are provided processes for the preparation of the compounds as described herein.

The compounds of the present invention may be prepared by techniques well known in the art. In addition, the compounds of the present invention may be prepared following a reaction sequence as depicted below.

The compounds of this invention contain one or more asymmetric carbon atoms and thus occur as racemic mixtures, enantiomers and diastereomers. These compounds also exist as conformers/rotamers. All such isomeric forms of these compounds are expressly included in the present invention. Each stereogenic carbon may be of the *R* or *S* configuration. Although the specific compounds exemplified in this application may be depicted in a particular stereochemical configuration, compounds having either the opposite stereochemistry at any given chiral center or mixtures thereof are envisioned as part of the invention.

#### Detailed Description of the Invention

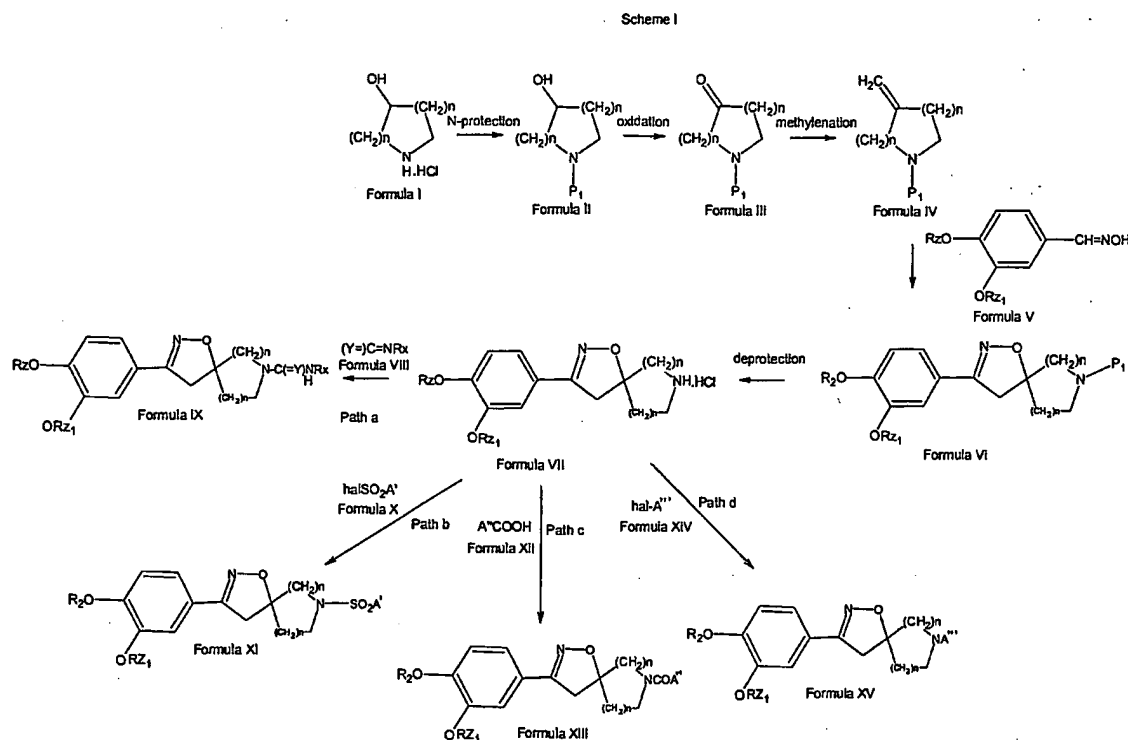
The compounds of the present invention may be prepared by techniques well known in the organic synthesis and familiar to a practitioner skilled in art of this invention. In addition, the process described herein may prepare the compounds of the present

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invention, however that may not be the only means by which the compounds described may be synthesised. Further, the various synthetic steps described herein may be performed in an alternate sequence in order to give the desired compounds.



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The compounds of Formulae VII, IX, XI, XIII and XV can be prepared by following the reaction sequence as depicted for example in Scheme I. Thus, a compound of Formula I (wherein  $n$  can be 1, 2 or 3) can be N-protected to give a compound of Formula II (wherein  $P_1$  can be  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_3$ ,  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_2CHBr_2$  or  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_2CCl_3$ ), which can be oxidized to give a compound of Formula III, which can undergo methylation to give a compound of Formula IV, which can be reacted with a compound of Formula V (which was prepared following the procedure as described in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/930,569 wherein  $R_2$  is alkyl optionally substituted with halogen (for example, trifluoromethyl) or alkaryl (for example, benzyl) and  $R_{Z1}$  can be cycloalkylalkyl, alkaryl, cycloalkyl or alkyl optionally substituted with halogen) to give a compound of Formula VI, which can be deprotected to give a compound of Formula VII, which can be reacted with

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Path a: a compound of Formula VIII (wherein Y is oxygen or sulphur and  $R_x$  is the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula IX;

Path b: a compound of Formula X (wherein  $A'$  is  $-NR_xR_y$  or alkyl where  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  are the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula XI;

- 5 Path c: a compound of Formula XII (wherein  $A''$  is cycloalkyl, heterocyclyl or alkyl) to give a compound of Formula XIII; or

Path d: a compound of Formula XIV (wherein hal is Br, Cl or I and  $A'''$  is heterocyclylalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, alkaryl or alkyl optionally substituted with  $-CONR_xR_y$  wherein  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  are the same as defined earlier).

- 10 The N-protection of a compound of Formula I to give a compound of Formula II [wherein P can be  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_3$ ] can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloromethane, dichloroethane, chloroform or carbon tetrachloride, in the presence of a base, such as, for example triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine, N-methylmorpholine or pyridine.

- 15 The N-protection of a compound of Formula I to give a compound of Formula II [when P can be  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_2CHBr_2$  or  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_2CCl_3$ ] can be carried out following procedures described in Theodora W. Greene and Peter G.M. Wuts, "Protecting Groups In Organic Synthesis," 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, John Wiley and Sons, New York 1999.

- 20 The oxidation of a compound of Formula II to give a compound of Formula III can be carried out using an oxidizing agent, such as, for example, pyridinium chlorochromate, manganese dioxide, potassium permanganate or Jones reagent ( $CrO_3/H_2SO_4$ ).

- 25 The methylenation of a compound of Formula III to give a compound of Formula IV can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, dioxane or diethylether, in the presence of a Wittig salt for example, triphenylmethylphosphonium iodide or triphenylmethylphosphonium bromide.

Alternatively, the methylenation of a compound of Formula III to give a compound of Formula IV can be carried out using  $Zn/CH_2Br_2/TiCl_4$  in an organic solvent, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, dioxane or diethylether.

- 30 The reaction of a compound of Formula IV with a compound of Formula V to give a compound of Formula VI can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example,

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dichloromethane, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride or dichloroethane, tetrahydrofuran with oxidants such as, for example, sodium hypochlorite, N-chlorosuccinimide or tert-butoxychloride in the presence of an optional base, such as, for example, pyridine, butyl lithium, N-methylmorpholine, diisopropylethylamine or triethylamine.

5           The deprotection of a compound of Formula VI (wherein P can be  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_3$ ) to give a compound of Formula VII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, methanol, ethanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol, in the presence of an alcoholic acid solution, such as, for example, ethanolic hydrochloric acid or methanolic hydrochloric acid.

10           The deprotection of a compound of Formula VI (wherein P can be  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_2CHBr_2$ ) can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, ethanol, methanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol in the presence of hydrobromic acid or hydrochloric acid).

            The deprotection of a compound of Formula VI (wherein P can be  $-C(=O)OC(CH_3)_2CCl_3$ ) can be carried out by a supernucleophile, such as, for example, lithium cobalt (I) phthalocyanine, zinc and acetic acid or cobalt phthalocyanine.

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            The compound of Formula VII can be reacted with a compound of Formula VIII (path *a*) to give a compound of Formula IX in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloroethane, dichloromethane, chloroform or carbon tetrachloride in the presence of a base such as, for example, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine, N-methylmorpholine or pyridine.

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            The compound of Formula VII can be reacted with a compound of Formula X (path *b*) to give a compound of Formula XI in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloroethane, dichloromethane, chloroform or carbon tetrachloride in the presence of a base such as, for example, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine, N-methylmorpholine or pyridine.

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            The compound of Formula VII can be reacted with a compound of Formula XII (path *c*) to give a compound of Formula XIII in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane in the presence of a base such as, for example, N-methylmorpholine, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine or pyridine.

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The compound of Formula VII can be reacted with a compound of Formula XIV (path *d*) to give a compound of Formula XV in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane in the presence of a base such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or lithium carbonate.

5 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme I include:

*Tert*-butyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-7-carboxylate (Compound No. 21),

10 Hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 25),

Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme I, path *a* include:

15 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-*N*-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 2),

*N*-butyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 5),

20 *N*-butyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-carboxamide (Compound No. 9),

25 *N*-benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 19),

*N*-Benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-carboxamide (Compound No. 32),

30 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-carboxamide (Compound No. 143),

*N*-Butyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 144).

35 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme I, path *b* include:

40 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-*N,N*-dimethyl-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-sulfonamide (Compound No. 4),

3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 10),

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3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 145).

5 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme I, path *c* include:

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 3),

10 Hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-prolyl-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 7),

3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(cyclopropylcarbonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 18),

15 7-acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 20),

20 8-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 48),

8-(Cyclopentylcarbonyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 49),

25 7-(Cyclopentylcarbonyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 141),

7-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 155).

30 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme I, path *d* include:

35 2-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-7-yl}acetamide (Compound No. 6),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(2-morpholin-4-yl-ethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 8),

40 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-isopropyl-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 17),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(cyclopropylmethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 31),

45 8-Benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 38),

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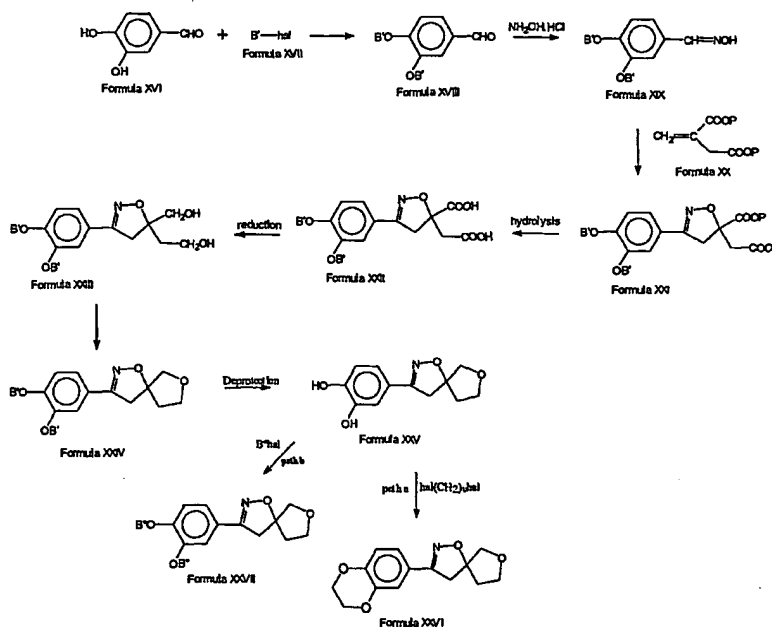
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3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 50),

5 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-ethyl-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 54).

Scheme II



Compounds of Formulae XXIV, XXV, XXVI and XXVII can be prepared, for example, by following a reaction sequence of Scheme II. Thus, the compound of Formula XVI can be reacted with a compound of Formula XVII (wherein B' can be alkaryl) to give a compound of Formula XVIII, which can be reacted with hydroxyl amine hydrochloride to give a compound of Formula XIX, which can be reacted with a compound of Formula XX (wherein P can be alkyl or alkaryl) to give a compound of Formula XXI, which can undergo hydrolysis to give a compound of Formula XXII, which can undergo reduction to give a compound of Formula XXIII, which can undergo ring cyclisation to give a compound of Formula XXIV which can undergo deprotection to give a compound of Formula XXV, which can be reacted with

Path a: a compound of Formula  $\text{hal}(\text{CH}_2)_v\text{hal}$  [wherein hal is (Br, Cl or I) and v is an integer from 1-4] to give a compound of Formula XXVI; or

Path b: a compound of Formula B''-hal (wherein B'' is alkyl) and hal is the same as defined above) to give a compound of Formula XXVII.

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The reaction of compound of Formula XVI with a compound of Formula XVII to give a compound of Formula XVIII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane, in the presence of base, such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or sodium bicarbonate.

5 The reaction of a compound of Formula XVIII with hydroxylamine hydrochloride to give a compound of Formula XIX can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, ethanol, methanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol.

The compound of Formula XIX can be reacted with a compound of Formula XX to give a compound of Formula XXI in an organic solvent, such as, for example,  
10 dichloromethane, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride or dichloroethane with oxidants such as, for example, sodium hypochlorite, N-chlorosuccinimide or tert-butoxychloride in the presence of an optional base, such as, for example, pyridine, butyl lithium, N-methylmorpholine, diisopropylethylamine or triethylamine

The hydrolysis of a compound of Formula XXI to give a compound of  
15 Formula XXII can be carried out in a solvent system, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran, methanol, dioxane or ethanol, in water in the presence of base, such as, for example, lithium hydroxide, sodium hydroxide or potassium hydroxide.

The compound of Formula XXII can undergo reduction to give a compound of Formula XXIII in an organic solvent, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran,  
20 dimethylformamide, dioxane or diethyl ether, with reducing agent, such as, for example, sodium borohydride or lithium borohydride or lithium aluminium hydride.

The compound of Formula XXIII can undergo ring cyclisation to give a compound of Formula XXIV in an organic solvent, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, dioxane or diethyl ether in the presence of a redox couple. The  
25 oxidizing part of the redox couple is selected from the group diisopropylazodicarboxylate (DIAD), diethylazodicarboxylate (DEAD), N,N,N',N'-tetramethylazodicarboxylate (TMAD), 1,1'-(azodicarbonyl) dipiperidine (ADDP), cyanomethylenetriethylphosphorane (CMBP), 4,7-dimethyl-3,5,7-hexahydro-1,2,4,7-tetrazocin-3,8-dione (DHTD) or N,N,N',N'-tetraisopropylazodicarboxamide (TIPA). The reduction part of the redox  
30 couple is phosphine such as, for example, trialkylphosphine (such as tributylphosphine), triarylphosphine (such as triphenylphosphine), tricycloalkylphosphine (such as



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triscyclohexylphosphine) or tetraheteroarylphosphine. The phosphine reagents with a combination of aryl, alkyl or heteroaryl substituents may also be used (such as diphenylpyridylphosphine).

The compound of Formula XXIV can be deprotected to give a compound of  
 5 Formula XXV in an organic solvent, such as, for example, methanol, ethanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol with a deprotecting agent, such as, for example, palladium on carbon or palladium on carbon with ammonium formate.

The compound of Formula XXV (path *a*) can be reacted with a compound of  
 Formula  $\text{hal}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{hal}$  to give a compound of Formula XXVI in an organic solvent such  
 10 as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethyl ether or dioxane in the presence of a base such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or lithium carbonate.

The compound of Formula XXV (path *b*) can be reacted with a compound of  
 Formula  $\text{B}'\text{hal}$  to give a compound of Formula XXVII in an organic solvent such as, for  
 15 example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane in the presence of a base such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or lithium carbonate.

Some representative compounds which may be prepared following Scheme II include:

3-[3,4-Bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 33),

4-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)benzene-1,2-diol (Compound No. 34).

20 Some representative compounds which may be prepared following Scheme II, path *a* include:

3-(2,3-Dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 51).

25 Some representative compounds prepared following Scheme II, path *b* include:

3-[3,4-bis(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 12),

30 3-(3,4-diisopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 13),

3-[3,4-bis(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 27),

30 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 65),

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- 3-(3-Butoxy-4-ethoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 66),
- 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclohexyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 67),
- 5 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 68),
- 10 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 69),
- 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclohexylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 70),
- 15 3-(4-Isobutoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No.  
71),
- 3-(4-Butoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
No. 72),
- 20 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 73),
- 3-[3-Isopropoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 74),
- 25 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 75),
- 30 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-  
azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 76),
- 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 77),
- 35 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 78),
- 3-(3-Isobutoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No.  
79),
- 40 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 80),
- 45 3-[4-(cyclohexyloxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 81)

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- 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 82),
- 5 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 83),
- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 84),
- 10 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 85),
- 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 86),
- 15 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 87),
- 3-[3-Isopropoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 88),
- 20 3-(4-Ethoxy-3-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 89)
- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 90),
- 25 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 91),
- 30 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 92),
- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-(cycloheptyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 93),
- 35 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 94),
- 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 95),
- 40 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 96),
- 45 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 97),

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- 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 98),
- 5 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 99),
- 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 100),
- 10 3-(3-Isopropoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 101),
- 3-(4-Ethoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 102),
- 15 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 103),
- 20 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 104),
- 3-(3-Butoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 105),
- 25 3-(3-Butoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 106),
- 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 107),
- 30 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 108),
- 35 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 109),
- 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 110),
- 40 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 111),
- 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 112),
- 45 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 113),

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- 3-[4-(3-Isobutoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 114),
- 5 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 115),
- 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 116),
- 10 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cycloheptyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 117),
- 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 118),
- 15 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 119),
- 3-(3-Ethoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 120),
- 20 3-[4-(Cycloheptyloxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 121),
- 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 122),
- 25 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 123),
- 30 3-(3-Butoxy-4-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 125),
- 3-(3-Ethoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 126),
- 35 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 127),
- 3-(4-Butoxy-3-ethoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 128),
- 40 3-(3-Ethoxy-4-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 129),
- 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 130),
- 45 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 131),

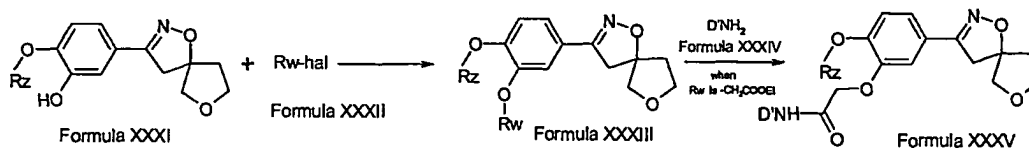
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- 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 132),
- 3-(4-Butoxy-3-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 133),
- 3-(4-Ethoxy-3-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 134),
- 3-[4-(Morpholin-4-ylethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 135),
- 3-(4-Isopropoxy-3-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 136),
- 3-[4-(Difluoromethoxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 151),
- 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 152),
- 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 153),
- 3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 157),
- 3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 158),
- 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 159),
- 3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 160),
- 2-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol (Compound No. 161),

Scheme IV



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Compounds of Formulae XXXIII and XXXV can be prepared, for example, by following the reaction sequence as depicted, for example, in Scheme IV. Thus, the compound of Formula XXXI (prepared following the procedure reported in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/930,569 wherein R<sub>z</sub> is the same as defined above) can be reacted with  
 5 a compound of Formula XXXII [wherein R<sub>w</sub> can be heteroarylalkyl, alkenyl or alkyl optionally substituted with cyano, carboxy or halogen and hal can be Br, Cl or I) to give a compound of Formula XXXIII, which can be reacted with a compound of formula XXXIV (wherein D' is cycloalkyl or hydrogen) to give a compound of Formula XXXV.

The reaction of a compound of Formula XXXI with a compound of  
 10 Formula XXXII to give a compound of Formula XXXIII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane, in the presence of base, such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or sodium bicarbonate.

The compound of Formula XXXIII can be reacted with a compound of  
 15 Formula XXXIV to give a compound of Formula XXXV.

Particular compounds which can be formed following the procedure shown in Scheme VII include:

20 3-[3-(Difluoromethoxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 40),

3-[3-(Allyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 60),

25 3-[3-(2-Chloroethoxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 61),

30 3-[4-Methoxy-3-(pyridin-3-ylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 146),

3-[4-Methoxy-3-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 156),

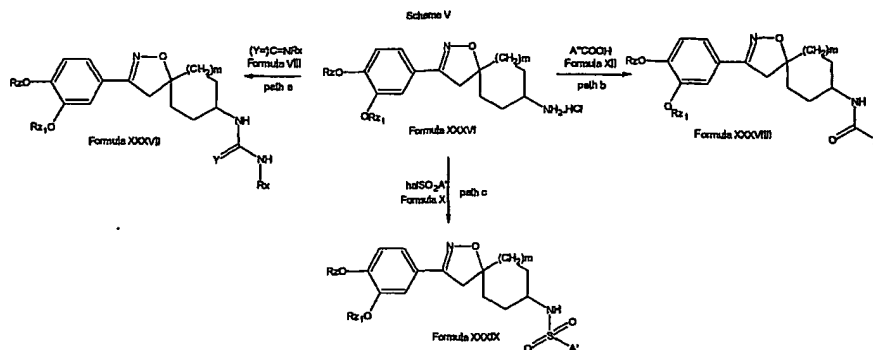
35 *N*-cyclopropyl-2-[5-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetamide (Compound No. 162),

2-[5-(1,7-Dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetamide (Compound No. 164),



Ethyl [5-(1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetate (Compound No. 165),

5 [5-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetonitrile (Compound No. 166),



The compounds of Formulae XXXVII, XXXVIII and XXXIX can be prepared by following the procedure as depicted in Scheme V. Thus a compound of Formula XXXVI (prepared following the procedure disclosed in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/930,569  
10 wherein R<sub>z</sub> and R<sub>z1</sub> are the same as defined earlier) can be reacted with

**Path a:** a compound of Formula VIII (wherein Y and R<sub>x</sub> are the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula XXXVII;

Path b: a compound of Formula XII (wherein A'' is the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula XXXVIII; or

15 Path c: a compound of Formula X (wherein A' is the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula XXXIX.

The compound of Formula XXXVI can be reacted with a compound of Formula VIII (path *a*) to give a compound of Formula XXXVII in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloroethane, dichloromethane, chloroform or carbon tetrachloride in the presence of a base such as, for example, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine, N-methylmorpholine or pyridine.

The compound of Formula XXXVI can be reacted with a compound of Formula XII (path *b*) to give a compound of Formula XXXVIII in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane in the

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presence of a base such as, for example, N-methylmorpholine, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine or pyridine.

The compound of Formula XXXVI can be reacted with a compound of Formula X (path *c*) to give a compound of Formula XXXIX in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloroethane, dichloromethane, chloroform or carbon tetrachloride in the presence of a base such as, for example, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine, N-methylmorpholine or pyridine.

Some representative compounds which may be prepared following Scheme V, path *a* include:

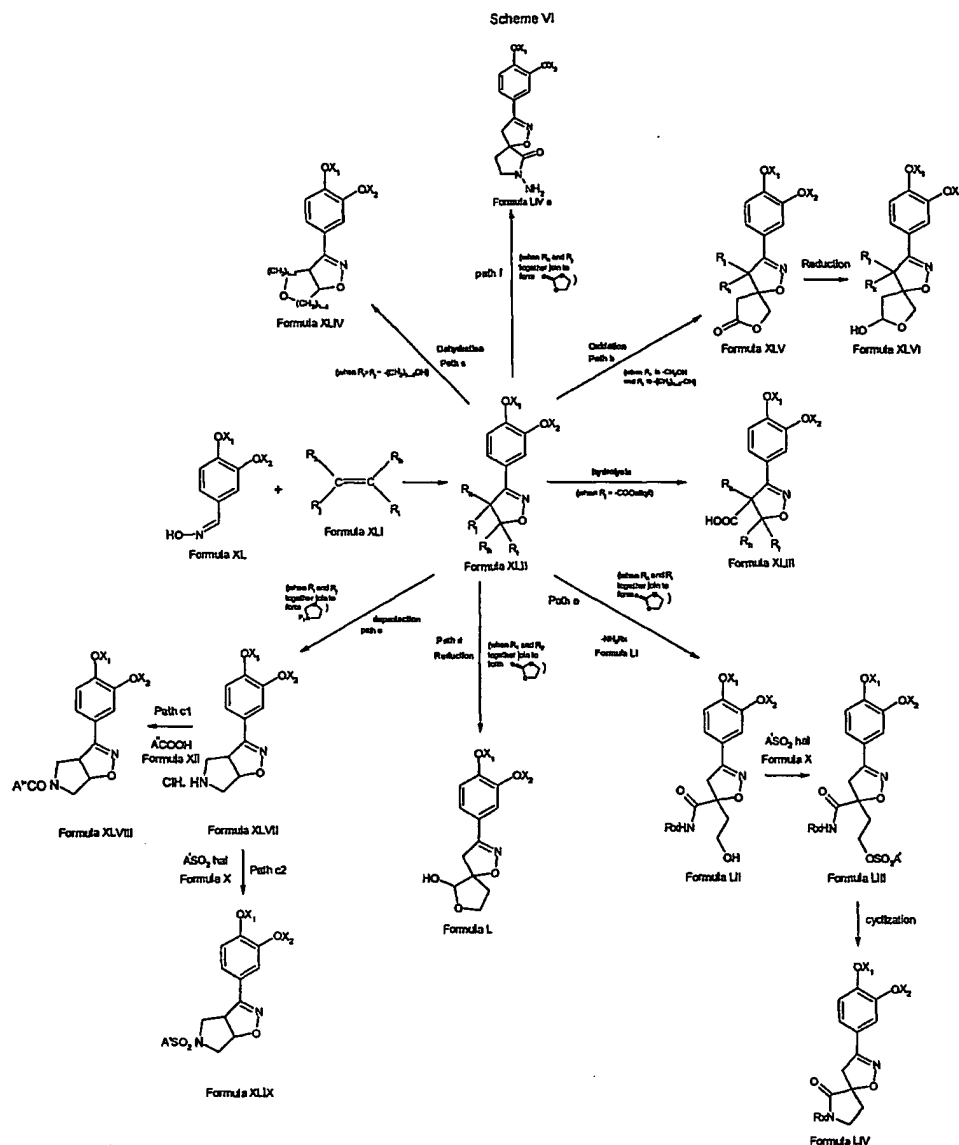
- 10 *N*-butyl-*N'*-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}urea (Compound No. 22),
- N*-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}-*N'*-(2-methoxyphenyl)urea (Compound No. 23),
- 15 *Tert*-butyl [(3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl)amino]carbonyl]carbamate (Compound No. 46),

Some representative compounds which may be prepared following Scheme V, path *b* include:

- N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}cyclopentanecarboxamide (Compound No. 47),
- 25 *N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}-2-fluorobenzamide (Compound No. 138),
- N*-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}benzamide (Compound No. 139).
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Some representative compounds which may be prepared following Scheme V, path *c* include:

- 35 *N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}methanesulfonamide (Compound No. 58),



The compounds of Formulae XLIII, XLIV, XLV, XLVI, XLVII, XLVIII, XLIX, L, LI and LIV can be prepared, for example, by following the procedure as described, for example, in Scheme VI. Thus a compound of Formula XL (wherein X<sub>1</sub> and X<sub>2</sub> are the same as defined earlier) can be reacted with a compound of Formula XLI,

wherein

- a.  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  may together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclcyl ring optionally substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or  $-COOalkyl$  and  $R_k$  is hydrogen,
- b.  $R_h$  is hydrogen or  $-CH_2OH$ ;  $R_i$  is  $-(CH_2)_{1-2}OH$ ;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or  $-(CH_2)_{1-2}OH$  and  $R_k$  is hydrogen,

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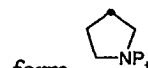
c.  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are hydrogen;

to give a compound of Formula XLII, which can undergo hydrolysis (when  $R_j$  is  $-\text{COOalkyl}$ ) to give a compound of Formula XLIII,

- 5 path a: the compound of Formula XLII undergoes dehydration (when  $R_i = R_j = -(\text{CH}_2)_{1-2}\text{OH}$ ) to give a compound of Formula XLIV;

Path b: the compound of Formula XLII undergoes oxidation (when  $R_h$  is  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  and  $R_i$  is  $-(\text{CH}_2)_{1-2}\text{OH}$ ) to give a compound of Formula XLV, which undergoes reduction to give a compound of Formula XLVI;

- 10 Path c: the compound of Formula XLII undergoes deprotection ( $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to

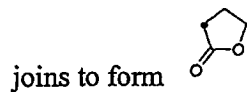


form  $\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OC}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ ,  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OC}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHBr}_2$  or  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OC}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CCl}_3$ ) to give a compound of Formula XLVII,

- [Path c1: which can be reacted with a compound of Formula XII (wherein  $A''$  is the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula XLVIII]; or

[Path c2: which can be reacted with a compound of Formula X (wherein  $A'$  is the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula XLIX];

Path d: the compound of Formula XLII undergoes reduction (when  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together



- joins to form  $\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OC}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ ,  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OC}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHBr}_2$  or  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OC}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CCl}_3$ ) to give a compound of Formula L;

Path e: the compound of Formula XLII can be reacted with a compound of Formula LI (wherein  $R_x$  is the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula LII, which can be reacted with a compound of Formula X to give a compound of formula LIII, which undergoes cyclisation to give a compound of Formula LIV; or

- 25 Path f: the compound of Formula XLII can be reacted with hydrazine hydrochloride to give a compound of Formula LIVa.

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The reaction of a compound of Formula XL with a compound of Formula XLI to give a compound of Formula XLII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloromethane, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride, dichloromethane or tetrahydrofuran, with oxidants such as, for example, sodium hypochlorite, N-chlorosuccinimide or tert-butoxychloride, in the presence of an optional base, such as, for example, pyridine, butyl lithium, N-methylmorpholine, diisopropylethylamine or triethylamine.

The compound of Formula XLII can undergo hydrolysis (when  $R_j$  is  $-\text{COOalkyl}$ ) to give a compound of Formula XLIII in the presence of a basic hydrolyzing agent, such as, for example, sodium hydroxide, lithium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, and a mixture thereof.

The compound of Formula XLII can undergo dehydration (when  $R_i = R_j = -(\text{CH}_2)_{1-2}\text{OH}$ ) at temperature ranging from about 100-150°C to give a compound of Formula XLIV with dehydrating agents, such as, for example, acetic anhydride, glacial acetic acid, calcium oxide or sulphuric acid.

The compound of Formula XLII can undergo oxidation (path *b*, when  $R_h$  is  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$  and  $R_i$  is  $-(\text{CH}_2)_{1-2}\text{OH}$ ) to give a compound of Formula XLV in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloromethane, dichloroethane, chloroform or carbon tetrachloride, in the presence of a base for example, pyridine, triethylamine, N-methylmorpholine or diisopropylethylamine with oxidizing agents, such as, for example, chromic anhydride, sodium dichromate, potassium permanganate or potassium dichromate, pyridium chlorochromate or pyridinium dichromate

The compound of Formula XLV can undergo reduction to give a compound of Formula LXVI in an organic solvent, such as, for example, toluene, benzene or xylene, with reducing agent diisobutylaluminium hydride, sodiumborohydride, lithium aluminium hydride or sodium (bisethoxymethoxy) aluminium hydride


The compound of Formula XLII can undergo deprotection (path *c*, when  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form , where  $P_1$  is  $-\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OC}(\text{CH}_3)_3$ ) to give a compound of Formula XLVII, which can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, methanol, ethanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol, in the presence of an alcoholic acid


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
solution, such as, for example, methanolic hydrochloric acid or ethanolic hydrochloric acid.


The compound of Formula XLII can undergo deprotection (when R<sub>i</sub> and R<sub>j</sub> together joins to form , where P<sub>1</sub> is -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CHBr<sub>2</sub>) to give a compound of Formula XLVII, which can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, ethanol, methanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol, or by hydrobromide in acetic acid.

The compound of Formula XLII can undergo deprotection (when R<sub>i</sub> and R<sub>j</sub> together joins to form , where P<sub>1</sub> is -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CCl<sub>3</sub>) to give a compound of Formula XLVII, which can be carried out by a supernucleophile, such as, for example, lithium cobalt (I) phthalocyanine, zinc and acetic acid or cobalt phthalocyanine.

The reaction of a compound of Formula XLVII with a compound of Formula XII (path c1) to give a compound of Formula XLVIII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane in the presence of a base such as, for example, N-methylmorpholine, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine or pyridine.

The reaction of a compound of Formula XLVII with a compound of Formula X (path c2) to give a compound of Formula XLIX can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloroethane, dichloromethane, chloroform or carbon tetrachloride in the presence of a base such as, for example, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine, N-methylmorpholine or pyridine.

The compound of formula XLII (path d, when R<sub>h</sub> and R<sub>i</sub> together joins to form ) can undergo reduction to give a compound of Formula L, in an organic solvent for example, toluene, benzene or xylene with reducing agent, such as, for example, diisobutylaluminium hydride, sodiumborohydride or lithium aluminium hydride.

The reaction of a compound of formula XLII (path e, when R<sub>h</sub> and R<sub>i</sub> together joins to form ) with a compound of Formula LI to give a compound of Formula LII can be carried out in an organic solvent for example methanol, ethanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol.

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The reaction of a compound of Formula LII with a compound of Formula X to give a compound of Formula LIII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloroethane, dichloromethane, chloroform or carbon tetrachloride in the presence of a base, such as, for example, triethylamine, diisopropylethylamine, N-methylmorpholine or pyridine.

The compound of Formula LIII can undergo cyclisation to give a compound of Formula LIV in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane, in the presence of a base, such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or lithium carbonate.

The reaction of a compound of Formula XLII (path f) can be reacted with hydrazine hydrochloride to give a compound of Formula LIVa in an organic solvent, such as, for example, ethanol, methanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol.

Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme VI include:

3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 11),

Ethyl 8-benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-4-carboxylate (Compound No. 36),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-4-carboxylic acid (Compound no. 37),

Ethyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-4-carboxylate (Compound No. 39),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,6a-dimethyl-3aH-cyclopenta[d]isoxazole-4,6(5H,6aH)-dione (Compound No. 43),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-6,6a-dihydrofuro[3,4-d]isoxazol-4(3aH)-one (Compound No. 45),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,8-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 52),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3aH-cyclopenta[d]isoxazole-4,6(5H,6aH)-dione (Compound No. 53),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,5,6,7,7a-hexahydro-1,2-benzisoxazole (Compound No. 56),

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3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3a*H*-cyclopenta[*d*]isoxazole  
(Compound No. 57),

5 *Tert*-butyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,6,6a-tetrahydro-5*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]isoxazole-5-carboxylate (Compound No. 142),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,5,6,7a-tetrahydro-1,2-benzisoxazol-7(4*H*)-  
one (Compound No. 150).

10 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme VI, path *a*  
include:

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,6,6a-tetrahydrofuro[3,4-*d*]isoxazole  
(Compound No. 44).

15 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme VI, path *b*  
include:

20 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-8-one  
(Compound no. 15),

3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-8-ol  
(Compound No. 16).

25 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following scheme VI, path *c*  
include:

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3a*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]isoxazole (Compound No. 140)

30 Some representative compounds prepared following scheme VI, path *c1* include:

5-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3a*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]isoxazole (Compound No. 147).

35 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following scheme VI, path *c2*  
include:

40 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3a*H*-  
pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]isoxazole (Compound No. 148).

Some representative compounds which can be prepared following scheme VI, path *d*  
include:

45 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-ol  
(Compound No. 1).



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Some representative compounds which can be prepared following scheme VI, path *e* include:

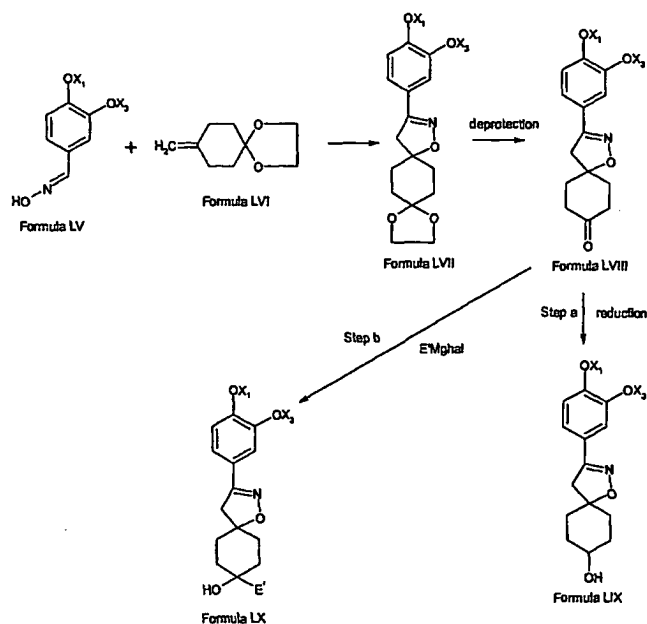
3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-one (Compound No. 42).

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Some representative compounds which can be prepared following scheme VI, path *f* include:

7-Amino-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-one (Compound No. 35).

Scheme VII



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The compounds of Formulae LVIII, LIX and LX can be prepared, for example, by following the procedure as depicted in scheme VII. Thus a compound of Formula LV (wherein  $X_1$  is the same as defined earlier and  $X_3$  is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl) can be reacted with a compound of Formula LVI to give a compound of Formula LVII, which can undergo deprotection to give a compound of Formula LVIII, which

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Path a: undergoes reduction to give a compound of Formula LIX; or

Path b: can be reacted with a compound of Formula E'Mghal (wherein E' is alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl and hal is the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula LX.

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The reaction of a compound of Formula LV with a compound of Formula LVI to give a compound of Formula LVII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloromethane, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride or dichloromethane, with oxidants such as, for example, sodium hypochlorite, N-chlorosuccinimide or tert-butoxychloride, in the presence of an optional base, such as, for example, pyridine, butyl lithium, N-methylmorpholine, diisopropylethylamine or triethylamine.

The deprotection of a compound of Formula LVII to give a compound of Formula LVIII can be carried out in an organic solvent for such as, for example, dichloromethane, dichloroethane, carbon tetrachloride or chloroform, with deprotecting agent, such as, for example, trifluoroacetic acid, hydrochloric acid or sulphuric acid.

Alternatively the deprotection of a compound of Formula LVII to give a compound of Formula LVIII can also be carried out with benzyltriphenylphosphonium peroxymonosulphate or benzyltriphenylphosphonium in the presence of aluminium trichloride.

The reduction of a compound of Formula LVIII (path *a*) to give a compound of Formula LIX can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, methanol, ethanol or isopropylalcohol with reducing agents, such as, for example, sodium borohydride, lithium aluminium hydride or diisobutylaluminium hydride.

The reaction of a compound of Formula LVIII with a compound of Formula E'Mghal (path *b*) to give a compound of Formula LX can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, diethyl ether or dioxane.

Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme VII include:

3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-one  
(Compound No. 26),

Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme VII, path *a* include:

3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ol (Compound No. 24),

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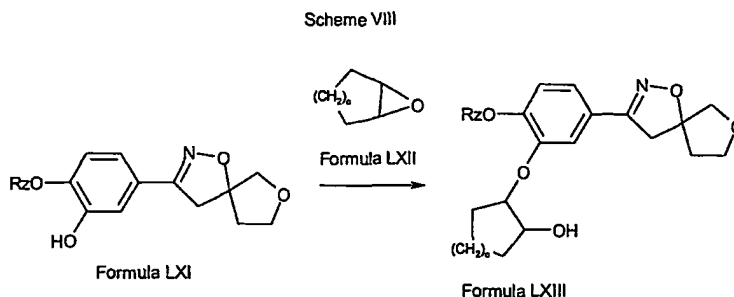
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Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme VII, path *b* include:

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-vinyl-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ol  
(Compound No. 55),

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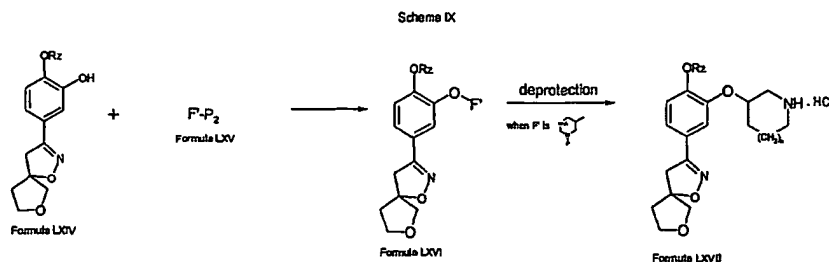


10 The compounds of Formulae LXIII can be prepared, for example, by the procedure as depicted, for example, in Scheme VIII. Thus, a compound of Formula LXI (wherein *Rz* is the same as defined earlier) can be reacted with a compound of Formula LXII (wherein *c* is an integer from 1-3) to give a compound of Formula LXIII.

The reaction of a compound of Formula LXI with a compound of Formula LXII to  
15 give a compound of Formula LXIII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethylether or dioxane in the presence of a base, such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or lithium carbonate.

Some representative compounds which may be prepared following Scheme VIII include:

20 2-[5-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]cyclopentanol  
(Compound No. 137).



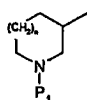
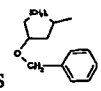
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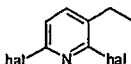
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Compounds of Formulae LXVI and LXVII can be prepared, for example, by following a procedure as depicted, for example, in Scheme IX. Thus, a compound of Formula LXIV (wherein R<sub>z</sub> is the same as defined earlier) can be reacted with a compound of Formula LXV [wherein P<sub>2</sub> is -O-tosyl, -O-mesyl, -O-4-

- 5 bromophenylsulphonate, -O-4-nitrophenylsulfonate or -O-triflate and F' is




or



(where hal and n are the same as defined earlier and P<sub>1</sub> is -

C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CHBr<sub>2</sub> or -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CCl<sub>3</sub>)] to give a

compound of Formula LXVI, which can undergo deprotection (when F' is ) to give a compound of Formula LXVII.

- 10 The reaction of a compound of Formula LXIV with a compound of Formula LXV to give a compound of Formula LXVI can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethyl ether or dioxane, in the presence of a base, such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or lithium carbonate.

- 15 The deprotection of a compound of Formula LXVI (wherein P<sub>1</sub> can be - C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>) to give a compound of Formula LXVII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, methanol, ethanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol, in the presence of an alcoholic acid solution, such as, for example, ethanolic hydrochloric acid or methanolic hydrochloric acid.

- 20 The deprotection of a compound of Formula LXVI (wherein P<sub>1</sub> can be -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CHBr<sub>2</sub>) to give a compound of Formula LXVII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, ethanol, methanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol or by hydrobromide in acetic acid.

- 25 The deprotection of a compound of Formula LXVI (wherein P<sub>1</sub> can be -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CCl<sub>3</sub>) to give a compound of Formula LXVII can be carried out by a supernucleophile, such as, for example, lithium cobalt (I) phthalocyanine, zinc and acetic acid or cobalt phthalocyanine.

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Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme IX include:

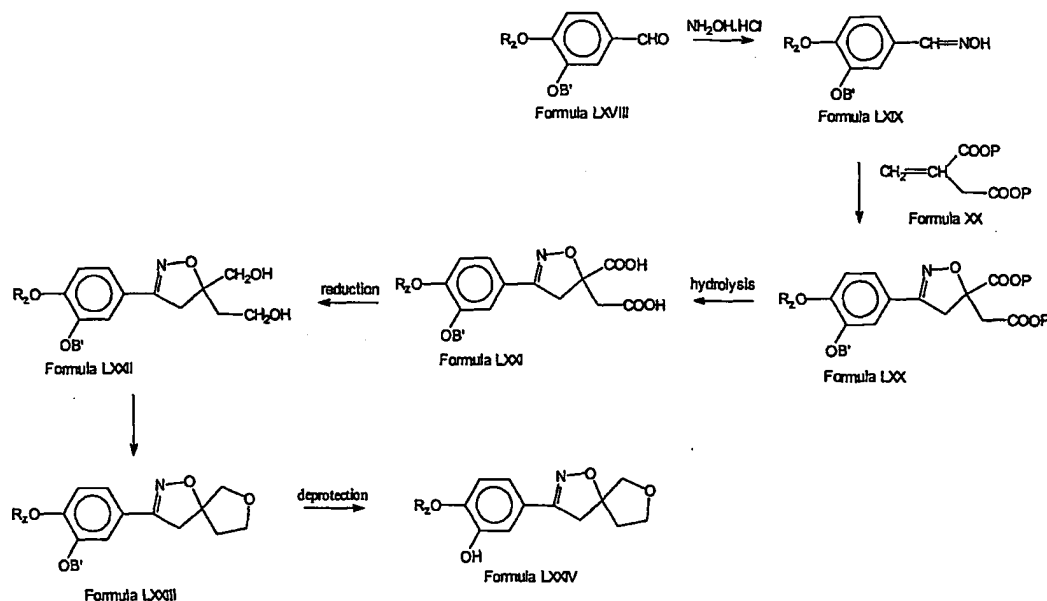
3-(3-[[3-(Benzyloxy)cyclopentyl]oxy]-4-methoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 154),

- 5 Hydrochloride salt of 3-[4-methoxy-3-(piperidin-3-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 163),

3-{3-[(2,6-Dichloropyridin-4-yl)methoxy]-4-methoxyphenyl}-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 167).

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Scheme X



Compounds of Formulae LXXIII and LXXIV can be prepared, for example, by following the reaction sequence of Scheme X. Thus, the compound of Formula LXVIII (wherein B' can be alkaryl) and  $\text{R}_z$  is the same as defined earlier) can be reacted with hydroxyl amine hydrochloride to give a compound of Formula LXIX, which can be reacted with a compound of Formula XX to give a compound of Formula LXX, which can undergo hydrolysis to give a compound of Formula LXXI, which can undergo reduction to give a compound of Formula LXXII, which can undergo ring cyclisation to give a compound of Formula LXXIII, which can undergo deprotection to give a compound of Formula LXXIV.

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The reaction of a compound of Formula LXVIII with hydroxylamine hydrochloride to give a compound of Formula LXIX can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, ethanol, methanol, propanol or isopropyl alcohol.

5 The compound of Formula LXIX can be reacted with a compound of Formula XX to give a compound of Formula LXX in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dichloromethane, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride or dichloromethane with oxidants such as, for example, sodium hypochlorite, N-chlorosuccinimide or tert-butoxychloride, in the presence of an optional base, such as, for example, pyridine, butyl lithium, N-methylmorpholine, diisopropylethylamine or triethylamine

10 The hydrolysis of a compound of Formula LXX to give a compound of Formula LXXI can be carried out in a solvent system, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran, methanol, dioxane or ethanol, in water in the presence of base, such as, for example, lithium hydroxide, sodium hydroxide or potassium hydroxide.

15 The compound of Formula LXXI can undergo reduction to give a compound of Formula LXXII in an organic solvent, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, dioxane or diethyl ether, with reducing agent, such as, for example, sodium borohydride or sodium cyanoborohydride.

20 The compound of Formula LXXII can undergo ring cyclisation to give a compound of Formula LXXIII in an organic solvent, such as, for example in an organic solvent for example, tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, dioxane or diethyl ether in the presence of a redox couple. The oxidizing part of the redox couple can be selected from, for example, diisopropylazodicarboxylate (DIAD), diethylazodicarboxylate (DEAD), N,N,N',N'-tetramethylazodicarboxylate (TMAD), 1,1'-(azodicarbonyl) dipiperidine (ADDP), cyanomethylenetriethylphosphorane (CMBP), 4,7-dimethyl-3,5,7-hexahydro-  
25 1,2,4,7-tetrazocin-3,8-dione (DHTD) or N,N,N',N'-tetraisopropylazodi carboxamide (TIPA). The reduction part of the redox couple can be phosphine, for example, trialkylphosphine (such as tributylphosphine), triarylphosphine (such as triphenylphosphine), tricycloalkylphosphine (such as triscyclohexylphosphine) or tetraheteroarylphosphine. The phosphine reagents with a combination of aryl, alkyl or  
30 heteroaryl substituents may also be used (such as diphenylpyridylphosphine).

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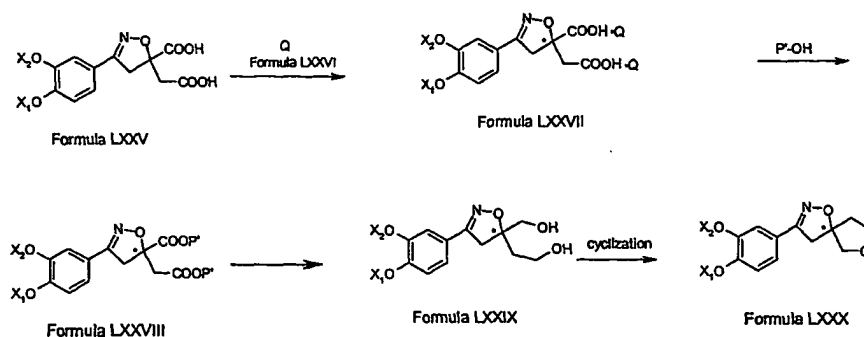
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The compound of Formula LXXIII can be deprotected to give a compound of Formula LXXIV in an organic solvent, such as, for example, methanol, ethanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol, with a deprotecting agent, such as, for example, palladium on carbon.

Some representative compounds which can be prepared following the procedure as described in Scheme X include:

2-(Difluoromethoxy)-5-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol (Compound No. 41)

Scheme XI



Compounds of Formula LXXX can be prepared by, for example, following a procedure as depicted in Scheme XI. Thus a compound of Formula LXXV (wherein  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are the same as defined earlier) can be reacted with a compound of Formula LXXVI (wherein Q is a chiral resolving agent, for example, L-Ephedrine, D-Ephedrine, Brucine, (1S, 2R) (-)-cis-1-amino-2-indanol, (1R, 2S) (+)-cis-1-amino-2-indanol, (1R, 2R) (-)-1,2-diamino cyclohexane or (1S, 2S) (+)-1,2-diamino cyclohexane or  $\alpha$ -methylbenzylamine) to give a compound of Formula LXXVII, which can undergo protection with a compound of Formula P'-OH to give a compound of Formula LXXVIII (wherein P' is alkyl), which can undergo reduction to give a compound of Formula LXXIX, which undergoes cyclisation to give a compound of Formula LXXX (wherein LXXX represents S-isomer when L-Ephidrine is used or R-isomer when D-Ephidrine is used).

The compound of Formula LXXV can be reacted with a compound of Formula LXXVI to give a compound of Formula LXXVII in an organic solvent such as, for example, acetone, dichloromethane or chloroform.

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The protection of a compound of Formula LXXVII with a compound of Formula P'-OH to give a compound of Formula LXXVIII can be carried out with halogenating agents such as, for example, thionyl chloride, phosphorous pentachloride or phosphorous trichloride.

5           The compound of Formula LXXVIII undergoes reduction to give a compound of Formula LXXIX in an organic solvent, such as, for example, tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, diethyl ether or dioxane, with reducing agent, such as, for example, sodiumborohydride, lithium aluminium hydride or lithiumborohydride.

10           Alternatively, the compound of Formula LXXIX can also be prepared by reducing free acid form of compound of Formula LXXVII.

15           The compound of Formula LXXIX can undergo cyclisation to give a compound of Formula LXXX in an organic solvent, such as, for example in an organic solvent for example, tetrahydrofuran, dimethylformamide, dioxane or diethyl ether, in the presence of a redox couple. The oxidizing part of the redox couple can be, for example, diisopropylazodicarboxylate (DIAD), diethylazodicarboxylate (DEAD), N,N,N',N'-tetramethylazodicarboxylate (TMAD), 1,1'-(azodicarbonyl) dipiperidine (ADDP), cyanomethylenetriethylphosphorane (CMBP), 4,7-dimethyl-3,5,7-hexahydro-1,2,4,7-tetrazocin-3,8-dione (DHTD) or N,N,N',N'-tetraisopropylazodicarboxamide (TIPA). The reduction part of the redox couple can be phosphine, for example, trialkylphosphine (such as triethylphosphine), triarylphosphine (such as triphenylphosphine), tricycloalkylphosphine (such as tricyclohexylphosphine) or tetraheteroarylphosphine. The phosphine reagents with a combination of aryl, alkyl or heteroaryl substituents may also be used (such as diphenylpyridylphosphine).

Some representative compounds which may be prepared following Scheme XI include:

25           (R)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 30),

30           (S)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 124).

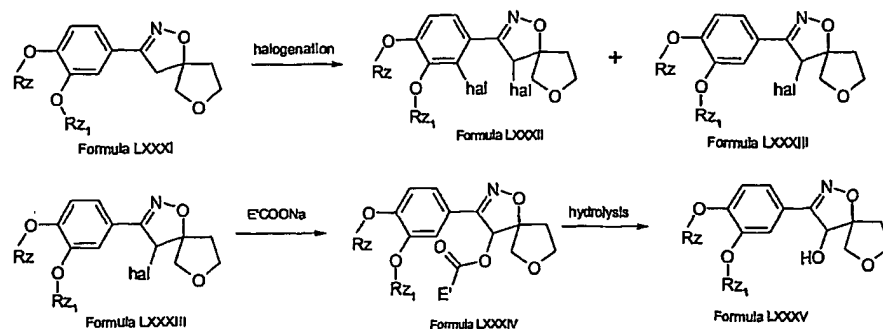


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Scheme XII



The compounds of Formulae LXXXIV and LXXXV can be prepared by, for example, following a procedure as depicted, for example, in Scheme XII. Thus a compound of Formula LXXXI (wherein R<sub>z</sub> and R<sub>z1</sub> are the same as defined earlier) can undergo halogenation to give compounds of Formula LXXXII and LXXXIII. The compound of Formula LXXXIII can be reacted with a compound of Formula E'COONa (wherein E' is the same as defined earlier) to give a compound of Formula LXXXIV, which can be hydrolysed to give a compound of Formula XXXV.

The halogenation of a compound of Formula LXXXI to give a compound of Formula LXXXII and LXXXIII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride, dichloromethane or dichloroethane, in the presence of radical initiator, such as, for example, azoisobutyronitrile (AIBN) or di-tert-butyl peroxide (BOOB), with halogenating agent, such as, for example, N-bromosuccinimide, N-chlorosuccinimide or N-iodosuccinimide.

The reaction of a compound of Formula LXXXIII with a compound of Formula E'COONa to give a compound of Formula LXXXIV can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethyl ether or dioxane.

The hydrolysis of a compound of Formula LXXXIV to give a compound of Formula LXXXV can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, methanol, ethanol or isopropylalcohol, in the presence of a base, such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or lithium carbonate.

Some representative compounds which may be prepared following Scheme XII include:

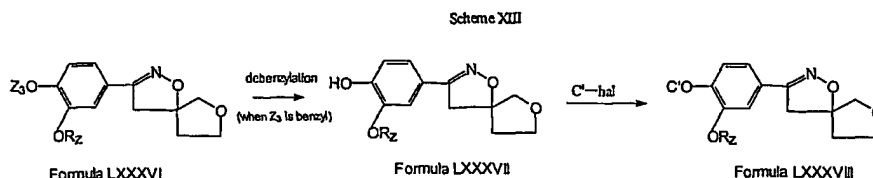
3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-4-ol (Compound No. 29),

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4-Bromo-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 149)



5 The compound of Formula LXXXVIII can be prepared, for example, by reaction sequence as depicted, for example, in Scheme XIII. Thus, a compound of Formula LXXXVI can be debenzylated (wherein Z<sub>3</sub> can be alkaryl) to give a compound of Formula LXXXVII, which can be reacted with a compound of Formula C'-hal to give a compound of Formula LXXXVIII.

10 The debenzylation of a compound of Formula LXXXVI to give a compound of formula LXXXVII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, methanol, ethanol, propanol or isopropylalcohol, with a deprotecting agent, such as, for example, using hydrogen and palladium on carbon, or under catalytic hydrogenation transfer conditions of ammonium formate and palladium on carbon.

15 The reaction of a compound of Formula LXXXVII with a compound of Formula C'-hal to hive a compound of Formula LXXXVIII can be carried out in an organic solvent, such as, for example, dimethylformamide, tetrahydrofuran, diethyl ether or dioxane, in the presence of a base such as, for example, potassium carbonate, sodium carbonate or lithium carbonate.

20 Some representative compounds which can be prepared following Scheme XIII include:

3-[3-methoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 14),

### Examples

#### Synthesis of Ethyl Cyclohexylideneacetate

25 To slurry of triethyl phosphonoacetate (5.05, 22.3mmole) in tetrahydrofuran (5ml) at 20°C was added sodium hydride (0.892g, 22.3mmole) portionwise with constant stirring followed by the addition of cyclohexanone (1.87ml, 22.3mmole) in tetrahydrofuran (2ml) dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hour. The mixture was diluted with

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water and extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 2.5 gm

Synthesis of tert-Butyl 2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole-1-carboxylate

- 5 To a solution of the compound 2,5-dihydro-1H-pyrrole (commercially available) (400mg, 0.0078mol) in dichloromethane (50 ml) was added triethyl amine (1.75g, 0.0173mol) and cooled the mixture to 0°C followed by the addition of di-tert-butoxy carbonyl anhydride (1.89g, 0.00868 mol) dropwise. The reaction mixture was stirred for overnight. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was  
10 washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Yield: 1g.

Synthesis of 4-(Difluoromethoxy)3-benzyloxybenzaldehyde

- To a solution of 3-hydroxy-4-difluoromethoxymethoxy-benzaldehyde (1 eq) was taken in dimethylformamide (10 mL), was added potassium iodide (0.1 eq) and potassium  
15 carbonate (2 eq). The reaction mixture was stirred at 70 °C and cyclopentyl bromide (2 eq) was added dropwise. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at 70-80°C for 16 hours. The reaction mixture was cooled and diluted with water, extracted with ethyl acetate and washed with saturated solution of sodium chloride. The organic solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column  
20 chromatography to furnish the title compound.

Synthesis of 3-(Benzyloxy)cyclopentanol

- To a stirred solution of cyclopentane-1,3-diol (1.0g, 9,80mmol) and silver oxide (3.41g, 14.7 mmol) in dichloromethane (300ml) was added benzyl bromide (1.05ml, 8.82mmol) under dark conditions at room temperature and stirred the reaction mixture for  
25 44 hours. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite pad and washed with dichloromethane. The combined organic layer was washed with water, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.38g.

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Synthesis of *tert*-Butyl 3-hydroxypiperidine-1-carboxylate

To a mixture of 3-hydroxy piperidine (4.0gm, 39.6 mmole) and triethyl amine (11.0ml, 79.0mmole) in dichloromethane (70 ml) at 0°C was added *tert*-butoxy carbonyl anhydride (10.4 gm, 47.4 mmole) and stirred the reaction mixture at room temperature for 12 hrs. The reaction mixture was washed with water and saturated sodium chloride solution, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Mass (m/z): 128 (MH<sup>+</sup>- *tert*. butanol).

Synthesis of 2,6-dichloropyridin-3-yl)methanol

To a solution of the compound 2,6-dichloronicotinic acid (0.5g, 2.6mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (10ml) at 0°C was added sodium borohydride (0.29g, 7.8mmol) portion wise and stirred the reaction mixture at room temperature for 30 minutes. The resulting reaction mixture was again cooled to 0°C followed by the addition of ethereal solution of boron trifluoride (1.1 ml, 7.8 mmole) dropwise and stirred the mixture at room temperature for overnight. The reaction mixture was quenched with aqueous sodium hydroxide (1N) and the solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. The residue thus obtained was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.44g.

Synthesis of 2,6-dichloropyridin-3-yl)methyl toluenesulphonate

To a stirred solution of the compound 2,6-dichloropyridin-3-yl)methanol (0.4g, 2.25mmol), 4-dimethylaminopyridine (0.028g, 0.225 mmol) and triethylamine (0.62ml, 4.5mmol) in dichloromethane (20ml) was added *p*-toluene sulphonyl chloride (0.64g, 3.75 mmol) portion wise at 0-5°C and stirred the reaction mixture at room temperature for overnight. The mixture was diluted with dichloromethane, washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.725g.

The following compounds can be prepared analogously,

3-(Benzyloxy)cyclopentyl methanesulfonate: Mass (m/z): 347.0 (M<sup>+</sup>+1).

*Tert*-butyl 3-[(methylsulfonyl)oxy]piperidine-1-carboxylate: Mass (m/z): 280.0 (M<sup>+</sup>+1).

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Example 1: *Tert*-butyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-7-carboxylate (Compound No. 21)

**Step a: Synthesis of 3-oxo-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid *tert*-butyl ester**

To a solution of the compound 3-hydroxy-piperidinyl-1-carboxylic acid *tert*-butyl ester (7.5 gm, 37.3 mmole) in dichloromethane (100 mL) was added celite (5.0 gm) and stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes. Pyridinium chlorochromate (9.57 gm, 44.4 mmole) was added portionwise over a period of 5 minutes. The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. Dichloromethane was removed under reduced pressure followed by the addition of ethyl acetate. The resulting reaction mixture was again stirred for 10 minutes and filtered through celite pad. The organic layer was removed under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 1.4 gm, 19 %

**Step b: Synthesis of 3-methylene-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid *tert*-butyl ester**

The solution of a compound triphenylmethylphosphonium iodide (7.12 gm, 17,6 mmole), potassium *tert*-butoxide (1.58 gm, 14.1 mmole) in tetrahydrofuran (100mL) was stirred at -78°C for 20 minutes and then at room temperature for 1 hour. To the resulting reaction mixture was added a solution of the compound obtained from step *a* above (1.4 gm, 7.04 mmole) in tetrahydrofuran (50mL) at 0 °C. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min. followed by diluting it with water. Tetrahydrofuran was evaporated under reduced pressure, extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.6 gm.

**Step c: Synthesis of *tert*-butyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-7-carboxylate (Compound No. 21)**

The compound obtained from step *b* above (0.4 gm, 2.04 mmole) and 3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-benzaldehyde oxime (0.53 gm, 2.25 mmole) was taken in dichloromethane (20%) in chloroform followed by the addition of pyridine (2 drops). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 minutes followed by the addition of sodium hypochlorite (2 mL) dropwise. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 hours. Tetrahydrofuran was evaporated under reduced pressure

followed by diluting it with water. The compound was extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.26 gm. Mass (m/z): 431 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

5 Example 2: Hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 25)

To a solution of Compound No. 21 (0.18 gm, 0.42 mmole) in dichloromethane (50 mL), was added methanolic hydrochloric acid (4.2 ml, 8.37 mmole) at 0 °C and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 7 hours. The resulting reaction  
10 mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure, washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate solution and extracted with ether. Organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.19 g. Mass (m/z): 331 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

15 Example 3: 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-N-(butyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 5)

To a solution of the compound hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (100mg, 0.2840 mmol) in dichloroethane (2 mL) was added triethylamine (0.061ml, 0.568 mmol) at room temperature followed by the  
20 addition of 1-isocyanatobutane dropwise (42.1mg, 0.420mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 8 hours. The resulting mixture was quenched with aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and dichloroethane was removed under reduced pressure. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic extracts were separated, washed with water and brine and dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate. They were then  
25 filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography using 80% ethyl acetate in hexane solvent mixture as eluent to furnish the title compound. Yield: 50 mg. Mass (m/z): 416.17 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Analogues of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-N-(butyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 5) described below, can be  
30 prepared analogously,

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*N*-4-Fluoro phenyl -3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 2),

Mass (m/z): 454.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

5 *N*-Butyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-carboxamide (Compound No. 9),

Mass (m/z): 430.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

*N*-Benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 19),

Mass (m/z): 450.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

10 *N*-Benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-carboxamide (Compound No. 32),

Mass (m/z): 464.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-carboxamide (Compound No. 143),

15 Mass (m/z): 388.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

*N*-Butyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 144).

Example 4: 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-*N,N*-dimethyl-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-sulfonamide (Compound No. 4)

20 To a solution of the compound hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (100mg, 0.2840 mmol) in dichloromethane (1 mL) was added triethylamine (71.7mg, 0.7102 mmol) at room temperature followed by the addition of dimethylsulfamoylchloride (61mg, 0.054ml, 0.426mmol). The reaction mixture  
25 was stirred at room temperature for 10 hours. The resulting mixture was quenched with aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and extracted with dichloromethane followed by the removal of dichloromethane under reduced pressure. The organic extracts were separated, washed with water and brine and dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate. They were then

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filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound.

Yield: 70 mg. Mass (m/z): 424.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Analogues of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-*N,N*-dimethyl-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-sulfonamide (Compound No. 4) described below, can be prepared analogously,

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 10),

Mass (m/z): 409.08 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 145)

Mass (m/z): 409.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 5: 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 3)

To a solution of the compound hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (100mg, 0.2840 mmol) in dimethylformamide (1 mL) was added tetrahydrofuran-3-carboxylic acid (36.24 mg, 0.31249 mmol). The reaction mixture was cooled to 0°C stirred followed by the addition of *N*-methylmorpholine (0.187 ml, 1.704 mmol) and hydroxybenzotriazole (38.38mg, 0.284mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at the same temperature followed by the addition of 1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (60 mg, 0.3124 mmol). The mixture was again stirred for 10 hours. The resulting mixture was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic extracts were separated, washed with water and brine and dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate. They were then filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography using 5% methanol in ethyl acetate solvent mixture as eluent to furnish the title compound. Yield: 80 mg. Mass (m/z): 415.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).



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Analogues of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 3) described below, can be prepared analogously,

- Hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-propyl-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 7)

Mass (m/z): 428.24 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(cyclopropylcarbonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 18)

Mass (m/z): 385.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

- 10 7-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 20)

Mass (m/z): 359.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

8-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 48)

- 15 Mass (m/z): 373.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

8-(Cyclopentylcarbonyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 49)

Mass (m/z): 427.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

- 20 7-(Cyclopentylcarbonyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 141)

Mass (m/z): 427.30 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

7-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 155)

Mass (m/z): 373.07 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

- 25 Example 6: 2-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-7-yl}acetamide (Compound No. 6)

To a solution of the compound hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (disclosed in our copending patent

application U.S. serial No. 60/498,947) (99 mg, 0.2553 mmol) in dimethylformamide (2 ml), was added potassium carbonate (70 mg, 0.5106 mmol) and heated the reaction mixture to 60°C. To the resulting mixture was added bromoacetamide (42.5 mg, 0.306 mmol) dropwise and stirred the reaction mixture at 60°C for 10 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic extracts were collected, washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography using 5% methanol in ethyl acetate solvent mixture as eluent to furnish the title compound. Yield: 80 mg. Mass (m/z): 374.20 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

- 10 Analogues of 2-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-7-yl}acetamide (Compound No. 6) described below, can be prepared analogously, 3-[3-Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(2-morpholin-4-ylethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 8)

Mass (m/z): 444.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 15 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-isopropyl-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 17)

Mass (m/z): 359.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(cyclopropylmethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene

- 20 (Compound No. 31)

Mass (m/z): 385.16 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

8-Benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 38)

Mass (m/z): 421.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 25 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 50)

Mass (m/z): 442.24 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

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3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-ethyl-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene  
(Compound No. 54)

Mass (m/z): 359.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 7: 4-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)benzene-1,2-diol (Compound No.  
5 34)

**Step a: Synthesis of 3,4-bis(benzyloxy)benzaldehyde**

To a solution of the compound 3,4-dihydroxybenzaldehyde (25g, 181.1mmol) in dimethylformamide (150 ml) was added benzyl chloride (114.6g, 905.7mmol) and potassium carbonate (124.9g, 905.7mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 20 hours  
10 at 65-70°C which subsequently cooled and diluted with toluene (50 ml) and filtered. The solid thus obtained was washed with toluene. The organic extracts were collected and washed with sodium hydroxide, water and dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate. The organic layer was concentrated under reduced pressure and the solid thus formed was added in hexane with vigorous stirring. Filtered and dried under reduced pressure. Yield:  
15 49.732g.

**Step b: Synthesis of 3,4-bis(benzyloxy)benzaldehyde oxime**

Hydroxylamine hydrochloride (42.8 g, 616.3 mmole) and sodium acetate (50.5 g, 616.3 mmole) was added to a stirred solution of compound obtained from step *a* above (49.0 g, 154.0 mmole) in ethanol (200 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred at room  
20 temperature for 50 minutes. Ethanol was evaporated under reduced pressure, which was diluted with water (100 ml) and the organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate (3x 100 ml). The ethyl acetate layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the title compound.

**Step c: Synthesis of methyl 3-[3,4-bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]-5-(2-methoxy-2-oxoethyl)-  
25 4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-carboxylate**

Dimethyl 2-methylenesuccinate (38.5 g, 122.0 mmole) was added to the solution of compound obtained from step *b* above (40.6 g, 122.0 mmole) in tetrahydrofuran (240 mL), and the resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature. Sodium hypochlorite (250mL) was added slowly to the mixture thus obtained over the period of 20  
30 minutes and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature overnight. A

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second lot of sodium hypochlorite (100 mL) was again added to it and stirred for 2 hours at room temperature. Tetrahydrofuran was evaporated off and the organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate twice. The organic layer was concentrated to furnish the title compound. Yield: 56.3 g.

**5 Step d: Synthesis of 3-[3,4-bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]-5-(carboxymethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-carboxylic acid**

The compound obtained from step *c* above (0.70 gm, 2.102mmole, 1 eq.) was dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (15 mL) and lithium hydroxide in water solution (4.8 mL of 0.5 M aqueous solution, 2.4 mmoles, 1.2 eq) was added. The mixture was stirred for 1  
10 hour at room temperature and an additional amount of lithium hydroxide in water solution (1.9 mL, 0.5 M) was added. The mixture was stirred for 2 hour 35 minutes. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was diluted with water and acidified with drop of concentrated hydrochloric acid. The organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and  
15 finally concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the title organic compound with a yield of 0.500 g.

**Step e: Synthesis of 2-[3-[3,4-bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]-5-(hydroxymethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-5-yl]ethanol**

To a solution of sodium borohydride (3 eq) in tetrahydrofuran, was added a  
20 solution of the compound obtained from step *d* above (1 eq) in tetrahydrofuran. To the resulting reaction mixture was added ethereal solution of trifluoroborane (3 eq) at 0°C and stirred for 14-16 hours at ambient temperature. To it was added sodium hydroxide (1N) solution at 0°C and stirred for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was diluted with ethylacetate and water. The combined extract was washed with saturated solution of sodium chloride  
25 and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.340g

**Step f: Synthesis of 3-[3,4-bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene**

To a solution of the compound obtained from step *e* above (1 eq) in tetrahydrofuran, triphenylphosphine (1.12 eq) and succinimide (1 eq) was added  
30 diisopropyldiazadicarboxylate (1.14 eq). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for overnight. The organic solvent was removed under reduced pressure and

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the residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 250 mg.

**Step g: Synthesis of 4-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)benzene-1,2-diol  
(Compound No. 34)**

5 To a solution of the compound obtained from step *f* above (0.250 g, 0.6 mmole) in methanol (10 ml), was added palladium on carbon (0.500 g, 10%). The reaction mixture was evacuated with hydrogen gas and the resulting reaction mixture was allowed to stir under hydrogen atmosphere at room temperature for 1 hour. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to  
10 furnish the title compound. Yield: 110 mg. Mass (m/z): 236.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 8: Synthesis of 3-(2,3-Dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 51)

To a solution of Compound No. 34 (0.200g, 0.85mmol) above in dimethylformamide (60 ml), was added 1,2-dibromoethane (0.160g, 0.85mmol) and potassium carbonate (0.176g,  
15 1.27mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 20 hours at 60-65°C. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with brine and water and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography using 20% ethyl acetate in hexane solvent mixture as eluent to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.079 gm. Mass (m/z): 262.17 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

20 Example 9: 3-[3,4-bis(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 27)

To a solution of Compound No. 34 (0.070g, 0.29mmol) in dimethylformamide (2 ml), was added potassium carbonate (0.164 g, 1.1mmol) and cyclopentyl bromide (0.132g, 0.891 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 20 hours at 50-60°C. The mixture was  
25 extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with water, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography by using 20% ethyl acetate in hexane solvent mixture as eluent to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.040 gm. Mass (m/z): 372.14 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Analogues of 3-[3,4-bis(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
30 (Compound No. 27) described below, can be prepared analogously,

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3-[3,4-bis(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 12)

Mass (m/z): 349.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(3,4-diisopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 13)

5 Mass (m/z): 320.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3,4-Bis(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
No. 28)

Mass (m/z): 344.12 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3,4-Bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 33)

10 Mass (m/z): 416.06 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 10: 2-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol

(Compound No. 62)

To a solution of the compound 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-  
dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial  
15 No. 60/498,947) (100mg, 0.315mmol) in dimethylacetamide (2ml), sodium ethane thiolate  
(79.6mg, 0.94637mmol) and stirred the reaction mixture at 110°C for 7-9 hours under  
nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was quenched with aqueous ammonium chloride and  
extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water, dried over  
anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title  
20 compound. Yield: 90 mg. Mass (m/z): 304.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Analogues of 2-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol

(Compound No. 62) described below can be prepared analogously,

2-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol

(Compound No. 161)

25 Mass (m/z): 352.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

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Example 11: 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound no. 85)

To a solution of the Compound No. 62 (50 mg, 0.16 mmole) in dimethylformamide (2 ml), was added potassium carbonate (46 mg, 0.33 mmole) and  
 5 heated the reaction mixture to 60°C. To the resulting mixture was added ethyl bromide (36 mg, 0.33 mmole) dropwise and stirred the reaction mixture at 60°C for 10 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic extracts were collected, washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column  
 10 chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 46 mg. Mass (m/z): 332.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Analogues of 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound no. 85) described below can be prepared similarly,

3-[3-methoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
 (Compound No. 14)

15 Mass (m/z): 363.24 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(4-Butoxy-3-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 63)

Mass (m/z): 348.33 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(3-Isobutoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
 No. 64)

20 Mass (m/z): 334.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
 (Compound No. 65)

Mass (m/z): 346.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(3-Butoxy-4-ethoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 66)

25 Mass (m/z): 320.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclohexyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
 No. 67)

Mass (m/z): 388.26 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

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3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 68)

Mass (m/z): 360.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
5 (Compound No. 69)

Mass (m/z): 374.27 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclohexylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 70)

Mass (m/z): 388.26 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

10 3-(4-Isobutoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 71)

Mass (m/z): 334.28 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(4-Butoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 72)

15 Mass (m/z): 334.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 73)

Mass (m/z): 374.27 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-Isopropoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
20 (Compound No. 74)

Mass (m/z): 391.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 75)

Mass (m/z): 346.20 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

25 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 76)

Mass (m/z): 403.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),



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3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 77)

Mass (m/z): 346.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

5 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 78)

Mass (m/z): 332.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(3-Isobutoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 79)

Mass (m/z): 334.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

10 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 80)

Mass (m/z): 346.29 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(cyclohexyloxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 81)

15 Mass (m/z): 386.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 82)

Mass (m/z): 400.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

20 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 83)

Mass (m/z): 358.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 84)

Mass (m/z): 360.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

25 3-[3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 86)

Mass (m/z): 318.20 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

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3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 87)

Mass (m/z): 360.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-Isopropoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
5 (Compound No. 88)

Mass (m/z): 405.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(4-Ethoxy-3-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 89)

Mass (m/z): 320.16 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
10 (Compound No. 90)

Mass (m/z): 346.16 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 91)

Mass (m/z): 360.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

15 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 92)

Mass (m/z): 346.16 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-(cycloheptyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 93)

20 Mass (m/z): 400.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-  
2-ene (Compound No. 94)

Mass (m/z): 417.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
25 (Compound No. 95)

Mass (m/z): 388.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

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- 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 96)  
Mass (m/z): 386.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
5 (Compound No. 97)  
Mass (m/z): 332.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-[4-(Cyclopentylloxy)-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 98)  
Mass (m/z): 358.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 10 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 99)  
Mass (m/z): 332.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-[4-(Cyclopentylloxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 100)
- 15 Mass (m/z): 346.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-(3-Isopropoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 101)  
Mass (m/z): 320.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-(4-Ethoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 102)  
20 Mass (m/z): 306.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 103)  
Mass (m/z): 405.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 25 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclopentylloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 104)  
Mass (m/z): 360.24 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-(3-Butoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 105)

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Mass (m/z): 334.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(3-Butoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 106)

Mass (m/z): 334.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 5 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 107)

Mass (m/z): 374.27 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 108)

- 10 Mass (m/z): 388.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 109)

Mass (m/z): 400.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 110)

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Mass (m/z): 386.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 111)

Mass (m/z): 374.27 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 20 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 112)

Mass (m/z): 332.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 113)

- 25 Mass (m/z): 346.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-Isobutoxy]-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 114)

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Mass (m/z): ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 115)

Mass (m/z): 386.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 5 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 116)

Mass (m/z): 374.27 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cycloheptyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 117)

- 10 Mass (m/z): 388.26 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 118)

Mass (m/z): 374.08 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 15 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 119)

Mass (m/z): 428.26 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(3-Ethoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 120)

Mass (m/z): 306.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 20 3-[4-(Cycloheptyloxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 121)

Mass (m/z): 360.29 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 122)

Mass (m/z): 318.20 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 25 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 123)

Mass (m/z): 360.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

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3-(3-Butoxy-4-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 125)

Mass (m/z): 348.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

5 3-(3-Ethoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 126)

Mass (m/z): 306.16 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 127)

Mass (m/z): 332.20 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

10 3-(4-Butoxy-3-ethoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 128)

Mass (m/z): 320.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(3-Ethoxy-4-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 129)

Mass (m/z): 320.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

15 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 130)

Mass (m/z): 388.20 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 131)

20 Mass (m/z): 400.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 132)

Mass (m/z): 360.20 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(4-Butoxy-3-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 133)

25 Mass (m/z): 334.21 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(4-Ethoxy-3-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 134)

Mass (m/z): 306.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

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3-[4-(Morpholin-4-ylmethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
(Compound No. 135)

Mass (m/z): 391.16 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-(4-Isopropoxy-3-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
5 No. 136)

Mass (m/z): 320.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Difluoromethoxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-  
azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 151)

Mass (m/z): 402.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

10 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-  
azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 152)

Mass (m/z): 420.10 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-Butoxy-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-  
ene (Compound No. 153)

15 Mass (m/z): 408.2 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-  
ene (Compound No. 157)

Mass (m/z): 380.04 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

20 3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-  
ene (Compound No. 158)

Mass (m/z): 394.08 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-  
azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 159)

Mass (m/z): 406.05 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

25 3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-  
2-ene (Compound No. 160)

Mass (m/z): 394.2 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

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Example 12: 3-[3-(Difluoromethoxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 40)

To a solution of the compound 5-(1,7-Dioxo-2-aza-spiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxy-phenol (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (90 mg) 90mg in dimethylformamide (10ml), benzyltriethyl ammonium chloride (0.036 mole) was added. To the resulting reaction mixture was added sodium hydroxide solution (0.0018 mole of 30% solution) dropwise for about 3 minutes with a continuous flow of chloro-difluoro methane. The reaction mixture was acidified with dilute hydrochloric acid and diluted with water. The reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with saturated solution of sodium chloride and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compounds. Yield: 25 mg. Mass (m/z): 300.1. ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Analogues of 3-[3-(Difluoromethoxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 40), described below can prepared analogously,

15 3-[3-(Allyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 60)

Mass (m/z): 290.11 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[3-(2-Chloroethoxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 61)

20 Mass (m/z): 312.12 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-Methoxy-3-(pyridin-3-ylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 146)

Mass (m/z): 341.06 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

3-[4-Methoxy-3-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene

25 (Compound No. 156)

Mass (m/z): 341.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

Ethyl [5-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetate (Compound No. 165)

Mass (m/z): 336.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),



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[5-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetonitrile (Compound No. 166)

Mass (m/z): 289.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 13: 2-[5-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetamide (Compound No. 164)

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A solution of the Compound No. 165 (50 mg) in methanolic ammonia (2 ml, 4.5 N) was stirred at room temperature for 6 hrs followed by the removal of methanol under reduced pressure. Solid thus separated out was washed with hexane and dried under vacuum to furnish the title compound. Yield 30 mg. Mass (m/z): 307.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

10 The following compound can be prepared analogously,

*N*-cyclopropyl-2-[5-(1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetamide (Compound No. 162)

Mass (m/z): 347.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 14: *N*-butyl-*N'*-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}urea (Compound No. 22)

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To a solution of the compound hydrochloride salt of 3-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-phenyl)-1-oxa-2-aza-spiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ylamine (disclosed in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/930,569) (100mg, 0.262 mmol) in dichloroethane (10 mL) was added triethylamine (0.04ml, 0.0262 mmol) at room temperature followed by the addition of 1-isocyanatobutane dropwise (28 mg, 0.288 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours. The resulting mixture was quenched with aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and dichloroethane was removed under reduced pressure. The mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic extracts were separated, washed with water and brine and dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate. They were also filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 60 mg. Mass (m/z): 444.23 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

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The following compounds can be prepared analogously,

*N*-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}-*N'*-(2-methoxyphenyl)urea (Compound No. 23)

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Mass (m/z): 494.19 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

*Tert*-butyl [(3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl)amino]carbonyl]carbamate (Compound No. 46)

Mass (m/z): 502.22 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 5 Example 15: *N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}cyclopentanecarboxamide (Compound No. 47)

To a solution of the compound hydrochloride salt of 3-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-phenyl)-1-oxa-2-aza-spiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ylamine (disclosed in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/930,569) (100mg, 0.260 mmol) in dimethylformamide (1 mL) was  
10 added cyclopentylcarboxylic acid (0.025 ml, 0.236 mmole). The reaction mixture was cooled to 0°C stirred followed by the addition of *N*-methylmorpholine (0.0318 ml, 0.289 mmol) and hydroxybenzotriazole 39 mg, 0.289mmole). The resulting mixture was stirred for 30 minutes at the same temperature followed by the addition of 1-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride (55 mg, 0.289 mmol). The  
15 mixture was again stirred for 10 hours. The resulting mixture was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic extracts were separated, washed with water and brine and dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate. They were then filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography using 5% methanol in ethyl acetate solvent mixture as eluent to furnish  
20 the title compound. Yield: 80 mg. Mass (m/z): 441.34 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

The following compounds can be prepared analogously,

*N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}-2-fluorobenzamide (Compound No. 138)

Mass (m/z): 467.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

- 25 *N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}benzamide (Compound No. 139)

Mass (m/z): 449.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

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Example 16: *N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}methanesulfonamide (Compound No. 58)

To a solution of the compound hydrochloride salt of 3-(3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-phenyl)-1-oxa-2-aza-spiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ylamine (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (0.17 gm, 0.45 mmole) in dichloromethane (50 mL) was added triethylamine (0.13 ml, 0.090 mmole) at room temperature followed by the addition of methane sulphonylchloride (0.05 ml, 0.58mmole). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours. The resulting mixture was quenched with aqueous sodium bicarbonate solution and extracted with ethyl acetate followed by the removal of dichloromethane under reduced pressure. The organic extracts were separated, washed with water and brine and dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate. They were then filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Yield: 70 mg.

Example 17: 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,5,6,7,7a-hexahydro-1,2-benzisoxazole (Compound No. 56)

To a solution of the compound 3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxybenzaldehyde oxime (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (0.26g, 1.11mmol), cyclohexene (0.091g, 1.11 mmol), 3 to 4 drops of pyridine in 20% chloroform in dichloromethane (50 ml) was added sodium hypochlorite (4%, 2.5 ml, 1.33 mmol) under nitrogen atmosphere. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18 hours followed by the addition of aqueous sodium hypochlorite (4%, 2.5 ml, 1.33 mmol) dropwise again. The reaction mixture was again stirred for 36 hours, washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.100g. Mass (m/z): 317 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

The following compounds can be prepared analogously,

3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 11)

Mass (m/z): 316.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),

Ethyl 8-benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-4-carboxylate (Compound No. 36)

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- Mass (m/z): 493.33 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- Ethyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-4-carboxylate (Compound No. 39)
- Mass (m/z): 402.17 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 5 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,6a-dimethyl-3aH-cyclopenta[d]isoxazole-4,6(5H,6aH)-dione (Compound No. 43)
- Mass (m/z): 406.25 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-6,6a-dihydrofuro[3,4-d]isoxazol-4(3aH)-one (Compound No. 45)
- 10 Mass (m/z): 318.34. ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,8-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 52)
- Mass (m/z): 332.18 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3aH-cyclopenta[d]isoxazole-4,6(5H,6aH)-dione (Compound No. 53)
- 15 Mass (m/z): 332.30 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3aH-cyclopenta[d]isoxazole (Compound No. 57)
- Mass (m/z): 302.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ),
- 20 *Tert*-butyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,6,6a-tetrahydro-5H-pyrrolo[3,4-d]isoxazole-5-carboxylate (Compound No. 142)
- Mass (m/z): 303.16 ( $M^+ + \text{BOC}$ )
- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,5,6,7a-tetrahydro-1,2-benzisoxazol-7(4H)-one (Compound No. 150)
- 25 Mass (m/z): 330.10 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

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Example 18: 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-4-carboxylic acid (Compound no. 37)

Compound No. 39 (50 mg, 0.12mmole) was dissolved in ethanol (1.5 mL) and lithium hydroxide in water solution (16 mg, 0.37mmole) was added. The mixture was stirred for 4 hour at refluxing temperature. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was diluted with water and acidified with drop of concentrated hydrochloric acid. The organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and finally concentrated under reduced pressure to afford title organic compound with a yield of 32 mg. Mass (m/z): 374.20 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 19: 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,6,6a-tetrahydrofuro[3,4-d]isoxazole (Compound No. 44)

**Step a: Synthesis of {3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-4,5-diyl}dimethanol**

But-2-ene-1,4-diol (29 mg, 0.328mmole) was added to the solution of the compound 3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxybenzaldehyde oxime (70 mg, 0.298mmole) in tetrahydrofuran (10 mL), and the resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature. Sodium hypochlorite (1 mL) was added slowly to the mixture thus obtained over the period of 20 minutes and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature overnight. A second lot of sodium hypochlorite (1mL) was again added to it and stirred for 2 hours at room temperature. Tetrahydrofuran was evaporated off and the organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate twice. The organic layer was concentrated to yield the title compound with a yield of 25 mg.

**Step b: Synthesis of 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,6,6a-tetrahydrofuro[3,4-d]isoxazole**

A solution of the compound obtained from step a above (100mg, 0.00031mole) in acetic anhydride (10 ml) was refluxed for 100-110C for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography using 10% ethyl acetate in hexane solvent mixture as eluent to furnish the title compound. Yield: 65 mg. Mass (m/z): 304.38 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

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Example 20: 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-8-one (Compound No. 15)

To a suspension of chromic anhydride (3.6 g, 35.82 mmol) in dichloromethane (20 ml) was added pyridine (5.66g, 71.64 mmol) and stirred the reaction mixture for 5 15 minutes at room temperature. To it was added a solution of the compound 2-[3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-5-(hydroxymethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-5-yl]ethanol (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (1.0g, 2.99 mmol) in dichloromethane (5 ml) and stirred the reaction mixture for 1 hour. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the mixture was filtered through celite pad. 10 The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 230mg. Mass (m/z): 332.17 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 21: 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-8-ol (Compound No. 16)

15 A solution of the Compound No. 15 (30mg, 0.09 mmol) in dry toluene (5 ml) was cooled to  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  followed by the addition of diisobutylaluminium hydride (19.3 mg, 0.14 mmol) dropwise and stirred the reaction mixture at same temperature for 2 hours under argon atmosphere. To it was added sodium potassium tartarate solution followed by ethyl acetate and water. The organic layer was separated, washed with brine and water, dried 20 over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Yield: 18 mg. Mass (m/z): 334 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 22: 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3aH-pyrrolo[3,4-d]isoxazole (Compound No. 140)

To a solution of the Compound No. 142 (120mg) in dichloromethane (5ml) at  $0^\circ\text{C}$  25 was added methanolic hydrochloric acid (1ml) dropwise and stirred the reaction mixture for overnight. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was recrystallised with dichloromethane in hexane (20:80) solvent mixture as eluent to furnish the title compound. Yield: 100 mg. Mass (m/z): 303.99 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

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Example 23: 5-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3aH-pyrrolo[3,4-d]isoxazole (Compound No. 147)

The compound No. 140 (45 mg, 0.149 mmole) and acetic anhydride (18.25 mg, 0.1788mmole) were taken in dichloromethane (6 ml) followed by the addition of catalytic amount of dimethylamino pyridine was added and stirred for overnight. The resulting reaction mixture was diluted with water (15ml) and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was separated, washed with brine and water, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield 36 mg. Mass (m/z): 345.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 24: 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3aH-pyrrolo[3,4-d]isoxazole (Compound No. 148)

The title compound was prepared following the procedure as described for the synthesis in Example 4, by using Compound No. 140 in place of hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene. Yield: 35 mg. Mass (m/z): 381.37 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 25: 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-ol (Compound No. 1)

The title compound was prepared by following the procedure as described for the synthesis of Compound No. 16, by using compound 3-[3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-aza-spiro[4.4]non-2-ene-6-one (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No.60/498,947) in place of using Compound No. 15. Yield: 28 mg. Mass (m/z): 334.0 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 26: 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-one (Compound No. 42)

**Step a: Synthesis of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-5-(2-hydroxyethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-carboxamide**

To a compound 3-[3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-aza-spiro[4.4]non-2-ene-6-one (described in copending U.S. Patent Application No. 10/930,569) (0.20 g) was added methanolic ammonia (3 mL) and stirred the reaction

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mixture for 2.5 hours at room temperature. The reaction mixture was concentrated under vacuum to yield white solid compound. Yield 0.16 gm.

**Step b: Synthesis of 2-{5-(aminocarbonyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-5-yl}ethyl methanesulfonate**

- 5           The title compound was prepared following the procedure as described for the synthesis of Compound No. 4, by using the compound obtained from step *a* above in place of hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene.

10       **Step c: Synthesis of 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-one (Compound No. 42)**

- The compound obtained from step *b* above (0.16 gm, 0.375 mmole) was taken in dimethylformamide (1.4 ml) followed by the addition of anhydrous potassium carbonate (0.518 gm, 3.75 mmole) stirred for 24 hrs. The resulting reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with ethylacetate. Organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to give 20 mg of final product. Mass (m/z): 331.24 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).
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**Example 27: 7-Amino-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-one (Compound No. 35)**

- To a solution of the compound 3-[3-cyclopentyloxy-4-methoxy-phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-aza-spiro[4.4]non-2-ene-6-one (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (100 mg, 0.0003mmole) in ethanol (5 ml) was added hydrazine hydrate (0.061 ml, 0.0012 mmole) was added and refluxed for 10 hrs. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure, water was added and extracted with ethyl acetate. Organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield (20 mg). Mass (m/z): 346.24 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).
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**Example 28: 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-one (compound No. 26)**

**Step a: Synthesis of 8-methylene-1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decane**



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A solution of the compound methyltriphenylphosphine iodide (19.5g, 48.0mmol) and potassium tert-butoxide (4.32g, 38.4mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (100ml) was stirred for 3 hours at room temperature. To the resulting reaction mixture was added to a solution of 1,4-dioxaspiro[4.5]decan-8-one (3.0g, 19.2mmol) in tetrahydrofuran (50ml) and stirred the mixture for 6 hours. The reaction mixture was quenched with aqueous ammonium chloride solution (10ml) and concentrated under reduced pressure followed by diluting it with dichloromethane. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Yield: 1.52g.

10 **Step b: Synthesis of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,9,12-trioxa-2-azadispiro[4.2.4.2]tetradec-2-ene**

The title compound was prepared following the procedure as described for the synthesis of Compound No. 21 by using the compound obtained from step *a* above in place of 3-methylene-piperidine-1-carboxylic acid tert-butyl ester. Yield: 0.76g.

15 **Step c: Synthesis of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-one (Compound No. 26)**

To a solution of the compound obtained from step *b* above (0.6g, 1.55mmol) in dichloromethane (30ml) was added trifluoroacetic acid (0.72 ml) in three lots over a time interval of 1 hour followed by the addition of water (1ml) and stirred the reaction mixture for 6 hours at room temperature. The reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was washed with aqueous sodium bicarbonate, water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained as purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.44g. Mass (m/z): 344 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

25 **Example 29: Synthesis of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ol (Compound No. 24)**

To a solution of the Compound No. 26 (290mg, 0.85mmol) in methanol (50 ml) at 0°C was added sodium borohydride (45mg, 1.18mmol) and stirred the reaction mixture for 2 hours. The mixture was quenched with saturated ammonium chloride and evaporated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was diluted with dichloromethane, washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated

under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.18g. Mass (m/z): 346 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 30: Synthesis of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-methyl-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ol (Compound No. 59)

- 5 To a solution of the Compound No. 26 (0.3g, 0.88 mmol) in dry tetrahydrofuran (50 ml) at 0°C was added methyl magnesium chloride (0.5ml, 1.14mmol) and stirred the reaction mixture for 2 hours. The mixture was quenched with aqueous ammonium hydroxide (5ml) and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was dissolved in dichloromethane, washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.22g. Mass (m/z): 361 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).
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The following compound can be prepared analogously,

- 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-vinyl-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ol  
15 (Compound No. 55)  
Mass (m/z): 372 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

**Scheme VIII, procedure:**

Example 31: 2-[5-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]cyclopentanol (Compound No. 137)

- 20 To a solution of the compound 5-(1,7-dioxa-2-aza-spiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxy-phenol (disclosed in our copending patent application US serial No. 60/498,947) (0.11g, 0.44 mmol) in dry dimethylformamide (20ml) was added potassium carbonate (0.18g, 1.33mmol) at room temperature under nitrogen atmosphere followed by the addition of cyclopentene oxide (0.77ml, 8.84 mmol) and stirred the reaction mixture at 80-  
25 90°C for 24-48 hours. The reaction mixture was then diluted with ice-cold water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic extracts were washed with ice-cold water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.03g. Mass (m/z): 334.24 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

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Example 32: 3-(3-{[3-(Benzyloxy)cyclopentyl]oxy}-4-methoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 154)

The title compound was synthesised by following the procedure as described for the synthesis of (Compound No. 137) by using the compound 3-(benzyloxy)cyclopentyl methanesulfonate in place of cyclopentene oxide. Mass (m/z): 424.07 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

The following compound was prepared analogously,

Hydrochloride salt of 3-[4-methoxy-3-(piperidin-3-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 163)

Mass (m/z): 331.1 ( $M^+ - HCl$ ).

10 3-{3-[(2,6-Dichloropyridin-4-yl)methoxy]-4-methoxyphenyl}-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 167)

Mass (m/z): 408.8 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 33: 2-(Difluoromethoxy)-5-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol (Compound No. 41)

15 **Step a: Synthesis of 3-(benzyloxy)-4-(difluoromethoxy)benzaldehyde oxime**

Hydroxylamine hydrochloride (1.50 g, 21.58mmole) and sodium acetate (1.769g, 21.573mmole) was added to a stirred solution of compound 4-(difluoromethoxy)-3-phenoxybenzaldehyde (1.50g, 5.395 mmole) in ethanol (10 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3-4 hrs. Ethanol was evaporated under reduced pressure, which was diluted with water (20 mL) and the organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate (2x15 mL). The ethyl acetate layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to afford the title compound.

**Step b: Synthesis of methyl 3-[3-(benzyloxy)-4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl]-5-(2-methoxy-2-oxoethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-carboxylate**

25 Dimethyl 2-methylenesuccinate (1.078g, 6.824mmole) was added to the solution of compound obtained from step a above (1.00g, 3.412mmole) in tetrahydrofuran (5mL), and the resulting reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature. Sodium hypochlorite (10 mL) was added slowly to the mixture thus obtained over the period of 20 minutes and the reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature overnight. Tetrahydrofuran

was evaporated off and the organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate twice. The organic layer was concentrated to yield the title compound with a yield of 1.50 g.

**Step c: Synthesis of 2-[3-[3-(benzyloxy)-4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl]-5-(hydroxymethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-5-yl]ethanol**

5        The compound obtained from step *b* above (1.5g, 3.340mmole) was dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (10 mL) and lithium hydroxide in water solution (0.68 mL of 0.5 M aqueous solution, 16.682 mmoles, 5 eq) was added. The mixture was stirred for 1 hour at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 5 hrs at 55-60°C. Solvent was removed under reduced pressure and the residue thus obtained was diluted with water and acidified  
10        with drops of concentrated hydrochloric acid. The organic compound was extracted with ethyl acetate, washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and finally concentrated under reduced pressure to afford title organic compound with a yield of 1.103g.

**Step d: Synthesis of 2-[3-[3-(benzyloxy)-4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl]-5-(hydroxymethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-5-yl]ethanol**

15        The compound obtained from step *c* (1.1 g, 2.428mmole) was taken in tetrahydrofuran (7 ml) followed by the addition of sodium borohydride (0.276g, 7.26mmole) at 0-5°C and boron trifluoride etherate (1.02g, 7.28mmole) was added dropwise and stirred for 14hrs at room temperature. Solvent was removed under reduced  
20        pressure, water was added and extracted with ethylacetate. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish final product with the yield 0.732 g.

**Step e: Synthesis of 3-[3-(benzyloxy)-4-(difluoromethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene**

25        To a solution of the compound obtained from step *d* above (1 eq) in tetrahydrofuran, triphenylphosphine (1.12 eq) and succinimide (1 eq), was added diisopropylidiazadicarboxylate (1.14 eq). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for overnight. The organic solvent was removed under reduced pressure and  
30        the residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 40 %.

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**Step f: Synthesis of 2-(difluoromethoxy)-5-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol (Compound No. 41)**

To a solution of the compound obtained from step *e* above (0.200g, 0.53mmole) in methanol (10mL), was added palladium on carbon (300mg, 10%). The reaction mixture  
5 was evacuated with hydrogen gas and the resulting reaction mixture was allowed to stir at room temperature for 1 hour under hydrogen atmosphere. The reaction mixture was filtered through celite pad. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Yield = 60 mg. Mass (m/z): 286.03 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 34: (S)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-  
10 2-ene (Compound No. 124)

**Step a: Synthesis of L-Ephedrine salt of 5-(carboxymethyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-carboxylic acid**

5-(carboxymethyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-carboxylic acid (disclosed in our copending patent application U.S.  
15 serial No.60/498,947) (1.0 g, 2.87 mmol) and L-Ephedrine (0.95 g, 5.73 mmol) were dissolved in acetone (50 ml) and the mixture was refluxed for 4 h. The reaction mixture was slowly brought to room temperature (35 °C) and kept as it is for 24-36 hours to furnish the S-isomer. Yield: 0.3 g.

**Step b: Preparation of (S)-methyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-5-(2-methoxy-2-oxoethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazole-5-carboxylate**  
20

Thionyl chloride (0.80 ml, 11.1 mmol) was added slowly to a dry- methanol (50 mL) at 0 °C under nitrogen atmosphere and stirred for 1 hour followed by the addition of solution of the compound obtained from step *a* above (1.88 g, 2.77 mmol) in dry-methanol (50 mL) at 0°C. The reaction mixture was slowly brought to room temperature and stirred  
25 at that temperature for 12 hours. The reaction mixture was concentrated and diluted with dichloromethane. The organic portion was washed with water, brine and dried over sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.92 g. m.p.: 92-93 °C;  $[\alpha]_D = -113.9^\circ$  (C, 1.17, CH<sub>3</sub>OH).

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<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.35 (s, 1 H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 0.02 Hz, 1 H), 6.85 (d, *J* = 0.02 Hz, 1 H), 4.81 (m, 1 H), 4.00 (d, *J* = 0.04 Hz, 1 H), 3.88 (s, 3 H), 3.82 (s, 3 H), 3.72 (s, 3 H), 3.48 (d, *J* = 0.04 Hz, 1 H), 3.27 (d, *J* = 0.04 Hz, 1 H), 3.00 (d, *J* = 0.04 Hz, 1 H), 1.95 (m, 2 H), 1.88 (m, 4 H), 1.63 (m, 2 H). Mass (m/z): 393 (M<sup>+</sup>+1).

5 **Step c: Synthesis of (S)- 2-[3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-5-(hydroxymethyl)-4,5-dihydroisoxazol-5-yl]ethanol**

The compound obtained from step *b* above (0.85 g, 2.17 mmol) was dissolved in tetrahydrofuran (100 mL) and cooled to 0 °C and sodium borohydride (0.41 g, 10.9 mmol) was added portion wise. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 hour followed by the  
10 addition of methanol (10 mL). The reaction mixture was stirred for 10 hour at room temperature. Reaction mixture was filtered and the solid thus obtained was washed with tetrahydrofuran. The organic solution was cooled to 0 °C and saturated ammonium chloride solution was added slowly over a period of 30 minutes. The reaction mixture was concentrated and diluted with ethyl acetate (100 mL). The organic portion was washed  
15 with saturated ammonium chloride solution, water and brine, dried over sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.5 g. m.p.: 108-109 °C. [α]<sub>D</sub> = -5.32° (c, 1.17, CH<sub>3</sub>OH).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.33 (s, 1 H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 0.02 Hz, 1 H), 6.84 (d, *J* = 0.02 Hz, 1 H),  
20 4.81 (m, 1 H), 3.92-3.83 (m, 2 H), 3.85 (s, 3 H), 3.72 (m, 2 H), 3.41 (d, *J* = 0.04 Hz, 1 H), 3.20 (d, *J* = 0.04 Hz, 1 H), 2.40 (bs, 2 H, -OH), 2.07 (m, 2 H), 2.05-1.83 (m, 6 H), 1.63-1.61 (m, 2 H). Mass (m/z): 336 (M<sup>+</sup>+1).

**Step d: Synthesis of (S)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 124)**

25 To a solution of the compound obtained from step *c* above (0.43 g, 1.28 mmol), triphenyl phosphine (0.37 g, 1.41 mmol) and succinimide (0.14 g, 1.41 mmol) was added dry tetrahydrofuran (20 mL) and stirred the reaction mixture for 20 minutes at room temperature which was subsequently cooled to 0°C. Diisopropylazodicarboxylate (0.30 mL, 1.54 mmol) was added slowly over a period of 10 minutes at 0 °C and further  
30 stirred the reaction mixture at room temperature for overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column

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chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 0.28 g. m.p.: 110.5 °C.  $[\alpha]_D = +1.76^\circ$  (c, 1.19, CH<sub>3</sub>OH).

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.37 (s, 1 H), 7.00 (d,  $J = 0.02$  Hz, 1 H), 6.85 (d,  $J = 0.02$  Hz, 1 H), 4.82 (m, 1 H), 4.10 (d,  $J = 0.03$  Hz, 1 H), 4.03 (m, 2 H), 3.88 (s, 3 H), 3.82 (d,  $J = 0.03$  Hz, 1 H), 3.37 (s, 2 H), 2.06 (m, 1 H), 1.97-1.62 (m, 7 H), 1.61 (m, 2 H); Mass (m/z): 319 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

The following compound can be prepared analogously by using D-Ephidrine in place of L-Ephidrine,

(R)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
10 (Compound No. 30)

Mass (m/z): 319 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

Example 35: 4-Bromo-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 149)

To a solution of the compound 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (disclosed in our copending patent application US Serial No. 60/498,947) (100mg, 0.32mmol) in chloroform (5ml) was added N-bromosuccinimide (84mg, 0.47mmol) and azobutyronitrile (10mg, 0.06mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 hours and subsequently diluted with water. The mixture was extracted with dichloromethane, washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified with column chromatography to furnish the title compounds. Yield: 40 mg. Mass (m/z): 395.97 ( $M^+ + 1$ , Compound No. 149).

Example 36: 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-4-ol (Compound No. 29)

25 **Step  $\alpha$ : Synthesis of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-4-yl acetate**

To a solution of the 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene which is disclosed in our copending patent application US Serial No. 60/498,947 (100mg, 0.26mmol) in dimethylformamide (5ml), was added sodium acetate (104mg, 1.26mmol) and stirred the mixture at 110°C for 14 hours. The resulting

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reaction mixture was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was separated, washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure to furnish the title compound. Yield: 110mg.

**Step b: Synthesis of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-4-ol**

To a solution of the compound obtained from step *a* above (42mg, 0.11mmol) in methanol (2ml) was added potassium carbonate (46mg, 0.34mmol) under argon atmosphere and stirred the reaction mixture for 30 minutes at room temperature. The mixture was diluted with water and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was separated, washed with water and brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulphate and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue thus obtained was purified by column chromatography to furnish the title compound. Yield: 28mg. Mass (m/z): 334.13 ( $M^+ + 1$ ).

**PDE-IV Enzyme Assay**

The efficacy of compounds as PDE-4 inhibitor was determined by an enzyme assay (Burnouf *et al.*; *J. Med. Chem.*, 2000, 43:4850-4867). The PDE-4 enzyme source used was U937 cell cytosolic fraction prepared by sonication. The enzyme reaction was carried out, with the cytosolic fraction as the enzyme source, in the presence of cAMP (1  $\mu$ M) at 30 °C in the presence or absence of NCE for 45 - 60 min. An aliquot of this reaction mixture was taken further for the ELISA assay to determine level of cAMP in the sample. The concentration of the cAMP in the sample directly correlates with the degree of PDE-4 enzyme inhibition. Results were expressed as percent control and the  $IC_{50}$  values of test compounds were reported to be in the range of about  $\mu$ M to low fM. For example, the  $IC_{50}$  for PDE-IV inhibition ranged from about 1  $\mu$ M to about 100 fM, or from about 600 nM to about 100 fM, or from about 400 nM to about 100 fM, or from about 200 nM to about 100 fM, or from about 100 nM to about 100 fM, or from about 75 nM to about 100 fM, or from about 1 nM to about 100 fM, as compared to rolipram (about 480 nM 5 repetitions). Compound No. 119 was not tested as it was insoluble under the experimental conditions.



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**Cell based Assay for TNF- $\alpha$  release****Method of isolation of Human Peripheral Blood Mononuclear Cells:**

Human whole blood was collected in vacutainer tubes containing heparin or EDTA as an anti coagulant. The blood was diluted (1:1) in sterile phosphate buffered saline and 10 ml. was carefully layered over 5 ml Ficoll Hypaque gradient (density 1.077 g/ml) in a 15 ml conical centrifuge tube. The sample was centrifuged at 3000 rpm for 25 minutes in a swing-out rotor at room temperature. After centrifugation, interface of cells were collected, diluted at least 1:5 with PBS and washed three times by centrifugation at 2500 rpm for 10 minutes at room temperature. The cells were resuspended in serum free RPMI 1640 medium at a concentration of 2 million cells/ml. Alternatively whole blood was used.

**LPS stimulation of Human PBMNC's :**

PBMN cells (0.1 ml ; 2 million/ml) were co-incubated with 20  $\mu$ l of compound (final DMSO concentration of 0.2 %) for 10 min in a flat bottom 96 well microtiter plate. Compounds were dissolved in DMSO initially and diluted in medium for a final concentration of 0.2% DMSO. LPS (1  $\mu$ g/ml, final concentration) was then added at a volume of 10  $\mu$ l per well. After 30 min, 20  $\mu$ l of fetal calf serum (final concentration of 10%) was added to each well. Cultures were incubated overnight at 37°C in an atmosphere of 5% CO<sub>2</sub> and 95% air. Supernatant were then removed and tested by ELISA for TNF- $\alpha$  release using a commercial kit (e.g. BD Biosciences). For whole blood, the plasma samples were diluted 1:20 for ELISA. The level of TNF $\alpha$  in treated wells was compared with the vehicle treated controls and inhibitory potency of compound was expressed as IC<sub>50</sub> values calculated by using Graph pad prism.

Compounds 29, 33, 39, 52, 56, 57, 60, 61, 140, 148, 151, 154, 157 and 164 exhibited IC<sub>50</sub> in the TNF assay of from about 10  $\mu$ M to about 0.27 nM, or from about 200 nM to about 0.24 nM, or from about 130 nM to about 0.24 nM, or from about 12 nM to about 0.24 nM, as compared to rolipram (about 240 nM, 4 repetitions).

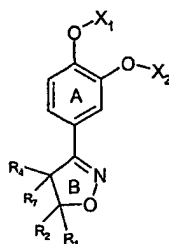
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We Claim:

1. A compound having the structure of Formula I,



Formula I

- and its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-oxides, wherein
- $R_1$  and  $R_2$  together forms an optionally substituted cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring wherein one or more optional substituent are oxo, alkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocyclylalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl,  $-SO_2NR_xR_y$ , halogen,  $-NH_2$ ,  $-(CH_2)_gC(=O)NR_xR_y$ ,  $-NHC(=O)OR_3$ ,  $-NHC(=O)NR_xR_y$ ,  $-C(=O)OR_3$ ,  $-NHC(=O)R_x$ ,  $-SO_2R_3$ , cyano, hydroxy, alkoxy, substituted amino,  $-C(=O)R_3$ ;
- $R_4$  is hydrogen; alkyl; hydroxy; halogen; carboxy;
- $R_5$  is hydrogen; alkyl;
- $R_1$  is independently hydrogen or alkyl and  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  forms an optionally substituted 4-12 membered saturated or unsaturated monocyclic or bicyclic ring system fused to ring B having 0-4 heteroatom(s) selected from the group consisting of N, O and S, wherein the substituents is one or more of oxo, alkyl,  $-C(=O)OR_3$ ,  $-SO_2R_3$ , halogen, hydroxy, alkoxy,  $-NH_2$  or substituted amino, with the proviso that  $R_2$  and  $R_4$  together does not form  $-CH_2-O-CH_2-O-CH_2-$ ;
- $X_1$  and  $X_2$  is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl,  $-(CH_2)_gC(=O)NR_xR_y$  or  $-(CH_2)_{g1}C(=O)OR_3$  (wherein g is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3);
- $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A shown in Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;

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- 24 wherein  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;
- 25 wherein the halogen is F, Cl, Br, or I;  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen,
- 26 alkyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkenyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkynyl, carboxy, cycloalkyl,  $-S(O)_mR_5$ , aryl, alkaryl,
- 27 heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and heterocyclalkyl;  $m$  is an integer between 0-
- 28 2;  $R_6$  is alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroarylalkyl or heterocyclalkyl;
- 29 wherein  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl,
- 30 heteroaryl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclalkyl;
- 1 2. A compound which is selected from
- 2 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-ol
- 3 (Compound No. 1).
- 4 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-*N*-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-oxa-2,7-
- 5 diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-carboxamide (Compound No. 2),
- 6 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-
- 7 diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 3),
- 8 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-*N,N*-dimethyl-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-
- 9 ene-7-sulfonamide (Compound No. 4),
- 10 *N*-butyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-
- 11 carboxamide (Compound No. 5),
- 12 2-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-7-
- 13 yl}acetamide (Compound No. 6),
- 14 Hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-propyl-1-oxa-2,8-
- 15 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 7),
- 16 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(2-morpholin-4-yl-ethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-
- 17 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 8),
- 18 *N*-butyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-
- 19 carboxamide (Compound No. 9),
- 20 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxa-2,8-
- 21 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 10),

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- 22 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No.  
23 11),
- 24 3-[3,4-bis(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
25 (Compound No. 12),
- 26 3-(3,4-diisopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 13),  
27 3-[3-methoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
28 (Compound No. 14),
- 29 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-8-one  
30 (Compound no. 15),
- 31 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-8-ol  
32 (Compound No. 16).
- 33 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-isopropyl-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
34 (Compound No. 17),
- 35 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(cyclopropylcarbonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-  
36 diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 18),
- 37 *N*-benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene-7-  
38 carboxamide (Compound No. 19),
- 39 7-acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
40 (Compound No. 20),
- 41 *Tert*-butyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-  
42 7-carboxylate (Compound No. 21),
- 43 *N*-butyl-*N*'-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-  
44 yl}urea (Compound No. 22),
- 45 *N*'-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}-*N*'-(2-  
46 methoxyphenyl)urea (Compound No. 23),
- 47 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ol (Compound  
48 No. 24),

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- 49 Hydrochloride salt of 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-
- 50 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 25),
- 51 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-one
- 52 (Compound No. 26),
- 53 3-[3,4-bis(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound
- 54 No. 27),
- 55 3-[3,4-Bis(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound
- 56 No. 28),
- 57 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-4-ol
- 58 (Compound No. 29),
- 59 (R)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 60 (Compound No. 30),
- 61 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(cyclopropylmethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-
- 62 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 31),
- 63 *N*-Benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-
- 64 carboxamide (Compound No. 32),
- 65 3-[3,4-Bis(benzyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 33),
- 66 4-(1,7-Dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)benzene-1,2-diol (Compound No. 34).
- 67 7-Amino-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-
- 68 one (Compound No. 35).
- 69 Ethyl 8-benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-
- 70 ene-4-carboxylate (Compound No. 36),
- 71 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-4-carboxylic
- 72 acid (Compound no. 37),
- 73 8-Benzyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene
- 74 (Compound No. 38),
- 75 Ethyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-4-
- 76 carboxylate (Compound No. 39),

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- 77 3-[3-(Difluoromethoxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
78 (Compound No. 40),
- 79 2-(Difluoromethoxy)-5-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol (Compound  
80 No. 41)
- 81 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-6-one  
82 (Compound No. 42).
- 83 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,6a-dimethyl-3aH-cyclopenta[d]isoxazole-  
84 4,6(5H,6aH)-dione (Compound No. 43),
- 85 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,6,6a-tetrahydrofuro[3,4-d]isoxazole  
86 (Compound No. 44).
- 87 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-6,6a-dihydrofuro[3,4-d]isoxazol-4(3aH)-one  
88 (Compound No. 45),
- 89 *Tert*-butyl [(3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-  
90 yl)amino]carbonyl]carbamate (Compound No. 46),
- 91 *N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-  
92 yl}cyclopentanecarboxamide (Compound No. 47),
- 93 8-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene  
94 (Compound No. 48),
- 95 8-(Cyclopentylcarbonyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-  
96 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 49),
- 97 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-(2-piperidin-1-ylethyl)-1-oxa-2,8-  
98 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 50),
- 99 3-(2,3-Dihydro-1,4-benzodioxin-6-yl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
100 No. 51),
- 101 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,8-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene  
102 (Compound No. 52),
- 103 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3aH-cyclopenta[d]isoxazole-4,6(5H,6aH)-dione  
104 (Compound No. 53),

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- 105 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-ethyl-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene  
106 (Compound No. 54),
- 107 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-vinyl-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ol  
108 (Compound No. 55),
- 109 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,5,6,7,7a-hexahydro-1,2-benzisoxazole  
110 (Compound No. 56),
- 111 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3aH-cyclopenta[d]isoxazole  
112 (Compound No. 57),
- 113 *N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-  
114 yl}methanesulfonamide(Compound No. 58),
- 115 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-8-methyl-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-ol  
116 (Compound No. 59).
- 117 3-[3-(Allyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
118 No. 60),
- 119 3-[3-(2-Chloroethoxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
120 (Compound No. 61),
- 121 2-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-(1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol (Compound  
122 No. 62),
- 123 3-(4-Butoxy-3-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
124 No. 63),
- 125 3-(3-Isobutoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
126 No. 64),
- 127 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
128 (Compound No. 65),
- 129 3-(3-Butoxy-4-ethoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 66),  
130 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclohexyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
131 No. 67),

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- 132 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
133 (Compound No. 68),
- 134 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
135 (Compound No. 69),
- 136 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclohexylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
137 (Compound No. 70),
- 138 3-(4-Isobutoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No.  
139 71),
- 140 3-(4-Butoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
141 No. 72),
- 142 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
143 (Compound No. 73),
- 144 3-[3-Isopropoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
145 (Compound No. 74),
- 146 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
147 (Compound No. 75),
- 148 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-  
149 azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 76),
- 150 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
151 (Compound No. 77),
- 152 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
153 (Compound No. 78),
- 154 3-(3-Isobutoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No.  
155 79),
- 156 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
157 (Compound No. 80),
- 158 3-[4-(cyclohexyloxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
159 (Compound No. 81)



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- 160 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-  
161 ene (Compound No. 82),
- 162 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-  
163 ene (Compound No. 83),
- 164 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
165 (Compound No. 84),
- 166 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
167 No. 85),
- 168 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
169 (Compound No. 86),
- 170 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
171 (Compound No. 87),
- 172 3-[3-Isopropoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
173 (Compound No. 88),
- 174 3-(4-Ethoxy-3-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 89)
- 175 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
176 (Compound No. 90),
- 177 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
178 No. 91),
- 179 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
180 (Compound No. 92),
- 181 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-(cycloheptyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
182 (Compound No. 93),
- 183 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-  
184 2-ene (Compound No. 94),
- 185 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
186 (Compound No. 95),
- 187 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-  
188 2-ene (Compound No. 96),

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- 189 3-[3-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
190 (Compound No. 97),
- 191 3-[4-(Cyclopentylloxy)-3-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-  
192 ene (Compound No. 98),
- 193 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
194 (Compound No. 99),
- 195 3-[4-(Cyclopentylloxy)-3-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
196 (Compound No. 100),
- 197 3-(3-Isopropoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
198 No. 101),
- 199 3-(4-Ethoxy-3-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
200 No. 102),
- 201 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(2-morpholin-4-ylethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
202 (Compound No. 103),
- 203 3-[3-Butoxy-4-(cyclopentylloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
204 No. 104),
- 205 3-(3-Butoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
206 No. 105),
- 207 3-(3-Butoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
208 No. 106),
- 209 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
210 (Compound No. 107),
- 211 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
212 (Compound No. 108),
- 213 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-(cyclopentylloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-  
214 ene (Compound No. 109),
- 215 3-[3-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-  
216 2-ene (Compound No. 110),

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- 217 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 218 (Compound No. 111),
- 219 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 220 (Compound No. 112),
- 221 3-[4-(Cyclopentylloxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 222 (Compound No. 113),
- 223 3-[4-(3-Isobutoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No.
- 224 114),
- 225 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopropylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-
- 226 ene (Compound No. 115),
- 227 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound
- 228 No. 116),
- 229 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(cycloheptyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound
- 230 No. 117),
- 231 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 232 (Compound No. 118),
- 233 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopentylloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 234 (Compound No. 119),
- 235 3-(3-Ethoxy-4-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 120),
- 236 3-[4-(Cycloheptyloxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound
- 237 No. 121),
- 238 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 239 (Compound No. 122),
- 240 3-[4-(Cyclohexylmethoxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 241 (Compound No. 123),
- 242 (S)-3-[3-(cyclopentylloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 243 (Compound No. 124
- 244 3-(3-Butoxy-4-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound
- 245 No. 125),

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- 246 3-(3-Ethoxy-4-isopropoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
247 No. 126),
- 248 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
249 No. 127),
- 250 3-(4-Butoxy-3-ethoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 128),
- 251 3-(3-Ethoxy-4-isobutoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
252 No. 129),
- 253 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-isobutoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
254 (Compound No. 130),
- 255 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-(cyclopentyloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
256 (Compound No. 131),
- 257 3-[3-(Cycloheptyloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
258 No. 132),
- 259 3-(4-Butoxy-3-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound  
260 No. 133),
- 261 3-(4-Ethoxy-3-propoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 134),
- 262 3-[4-(Morpholin-4-ylethoxy)-3-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
263 (Compound No. 135),
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265 No. 136),
- 266 2-[5-(1,7-Dioxo-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]cyclopentanol  
267 (Compound No. 137).
- 268 *N*-{3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-yl}-2-  
269 fluorobenzamide (Compound No. 138),
- 270 *N*-{3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2-azaspiro[4.5]dec-2-en-8-  
271 yl}benzamide (Compound No. 139).
- 272 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3a*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-  
273 *d*]isoxazole (Compound No. 140)

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- 274 7-(Cyclopentylcarbonyl)-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-  
275 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 141),  
276 *Tert*-butyl 3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,4,6,6a-tetrahydro-5*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-  
277 *d*]isoxazole-5-carboxylate (Compound No. 142),  
278 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,8-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-8-  
279 carboxamide (Compound No. 143),  
280 *N*-Butyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene-7-  
281 carboxamide (Compound No. 144),  
282 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-7-(methylsulfonyl)-1-oxa-2,7-  
283 diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene (Compound No. 145).  
284 3-[4-Methoxy-3-(pyridin-3-ylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
285 (Compound No. 146),  
286 5-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3a*H*-pyrrolo[3,4-  
287 *d*]isoxazole (Compound No. 147).  
288 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-5-(methylsulfonyl)-4,5,6,6a-tetrahydro-3a*H*-  
289 pyrrolo[3,4-*d*]isoxazole (Compound No. 148).  
290 4-Bromo-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene  
291 (Compound No. 149)  
292 3-[3-(Cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-3a,5,6,7a-tetrahydro-1,2-benzisoxazol-7(4*H*)-  
293 one (Compound No. 150).  
294 3-[4-(Difluoromethoxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-  
295 azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 151),  
296 3-[4-(Cyclopentyloxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-  
297 azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 152),  
298 3-[4-Butoxy-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-  
299 ene (Compound No. 153),  
300 3-(3-{[3-(Benzyloxy)cyclopentyl]oxy}-4-methoxyphenyl)-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-  
301 2-ene (Compound No. 154),

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- 302 7-Acetyl-3-[3-(cyclopentyloxy)-4-methoxyphenyl]-1-oxa-2,7-diazaspiro[4.5]dec-2-ene
- 303 (Compound No. 155),
- 304 3-[4-Methoxy-3-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene
- 305 (Compound No. 156),
- 306 3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-ethoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-
- 307 ene (Compound No. 157),
- 308 3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-propoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-
- 309 ene (Compound No. 158),
- 310 3-[4-(Cyclopropylmethoxy)-3-(2,3-dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-
- 311 azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 159),
- 312 3-[3-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-isopropoxyphenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-
- 313 2-ene (Compound No. 160),
- 314 2-(2,3-Dihydro-1*H*-inden-2-yloxy)-4-(1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)phenol
- 315 (Compound No. 161),
- 316 *N*-cyclopropyl-2-[5-(1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-
- 317 methoxyphenoxy]acetamide (Compound No. 162),
- 318 Hydrochloride salt of 3-[4-methoxy-3-(piperidin-3-yloxy)phenyl]-1,7-dioxa-2-
- 319 azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 163),
- 320 2-[5-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetamide
- 321 (Compound No. 164),
- 322 Ethyl [5-(1,7-dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetate (Compound
- 323 No. 165),
- 324 [5-(1,7-Dioxa-2-azaspiro[4.4]non-2-en-3-yl)-2-methoxyphenoxy]acetonitrile (Compound
- 325 No. 166),
- 326 3-{3-[(2,6-Dichloropyridin-4-yl)methoxy]-4-methoxyphenyl}-1,7-dioxa-2-
- 327 azaspiro[4.4]non-2-ene (Compound No. 167).

- 1 3. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of a
- 2 compound of claim 1 or 2 together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient or
- 3 diluent.

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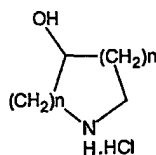
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1 4. A method of treating AIDS, asthma, arthritis, bronchitis, chronic obstructer  
2 pulmonary disease (COPD), psoriasis, allergic rhinitis, shock, atopic dermatitis, Crohn's  
3 disease, adult respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), eosinophilic granuloma, allergic  
4 conjunctivitis, osteoarthritis, ulcerative colitis or other inflammatory diseases in an animal  
5 or human comprising administering to said animal or human a therapeutically effective  
6 amount of a compound of claim 1 or 2.

1 5. A method of preventing, inhibiting or suppressing inflammatory condition in an  
2 animal or human comprising administering to said animal or human a therapeutically  
3 effective amount of a compound of claim 1 or 2.

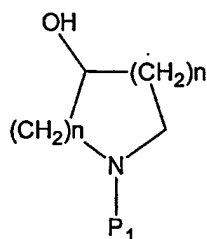
1 6. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XI, its pharmaceutically  
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3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. N-protecting a compound of Formula I



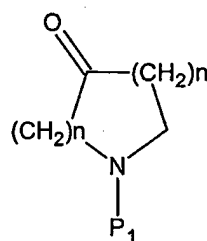
Formula I

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6 to give a compound of Formula II



Formula II

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8 b. oxidizing a compound of Formula II to give a compound of Formula III,



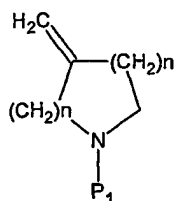
Formula III

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10 c. methylating a compound of Formula III to give a compound of Formula IV,

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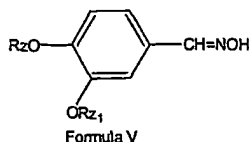
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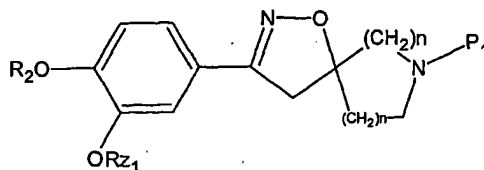
Formula IV

d. reacting a compound of Formula IV with a compound of Formula V



Formula V

to give a compound of Formula VI,



Formula VI

e. deprotecting a compound of Formula VI to give a compound of Formula VII, and

f. reacting a compound of Formula VII with a compound of Formula X (hal SO<sub>2</sub> A') to give a compound of Formula XI.

wherein

n is 1, 2 or 3;

P<sub>1</sub> is -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CHBr<sub>2</sub> or -C(=O)OC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CCl<sub>3</sub>;

R<sub>2</sub> is alkyl optionally substituted with halogen (for example, trifluoromethyl) or alkaryl (for example, benzyl);

R<sub>z1</sub> is cycloalkylalkyl, alkaryl, cycloalkyl or alkyl optionally substituted with halogen;

Y is oxygen or sulphur and R<sub>x</sub> is the same as defined earlier;

A' is -NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or alkyl;

hal is Br, Cl or I;



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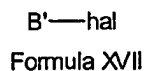
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- 30  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkenyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkynyl, carboxy,  
 31 cycloalkyl,  $-S(O)_mR_5$ , aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
 32 heterocyclylalkyl; and  
 33  $m$  is an integer between 0-2.

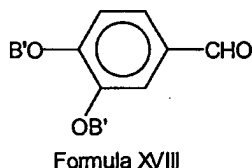
1 7. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XXVI, its pharmaceutically  
 2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-  
 3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XVII with a compound of Formula XVI



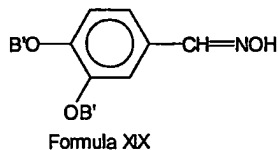
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7 to give a compound of Formula XVIII,



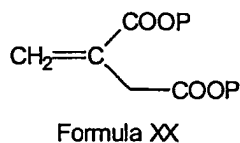
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11 b. reacting a compound of Formula XVIII with hydroxylamine hydrochloride  
 12 to give a compound of Formula XIX,



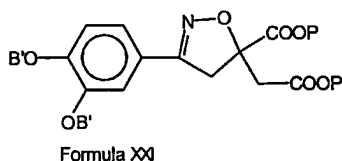
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16 c. reacting a compound of Formula XIX with a compound of Formula XX



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20 to give a compound of Formula XXI,



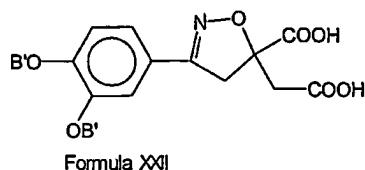
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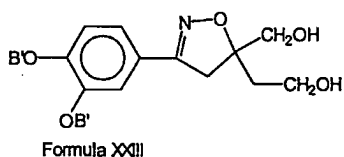
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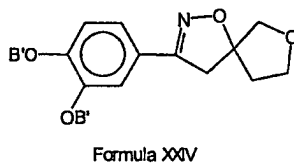
- d. hydrolyzing a compound of Formula XXI to give a compound of Formula XXII,



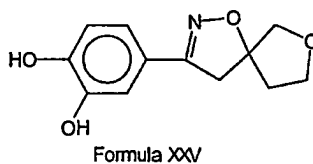
- e. reducing a compound of Formula XXII to give a compound of Formula XXIII,



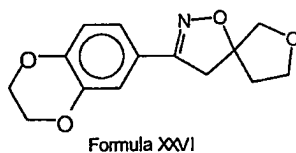
- f. cyclizing a compound of Formula XXIII to give a compound of Formula XXIV,



- g. deprotecting a compound of Formula XXIV to give a compound of Formula XXV,



- h. reacting a compound of Formula XXV with a compound of Formula  $\text{hal}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{hal}$  to give a compound of Formula XXVI,



wherein

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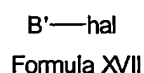
51 B' is alkaryl;

52 hal is (Br, Cl or I) and v is an integer from 1-4; and

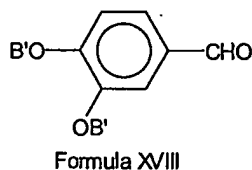
53 P is alkyl or alkaryl.

1 8. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XXVII, its pharmaceutically  
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3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

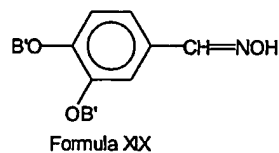
4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XVII with a compound of Formula XVI



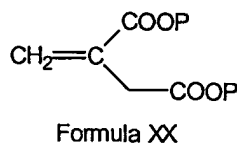
7 to give a compound of Formula XVIII,



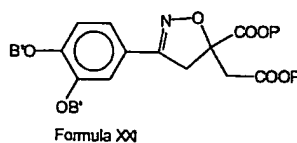
12 b. reacting a compound of Formula XVIII with hydroxylamine hydrochloride  
13 to give a compound of Formula XIX,



17 c. reacting a compound of Formula XIX with a compound of Formula XX



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22 to give a compound of Formula XXI,

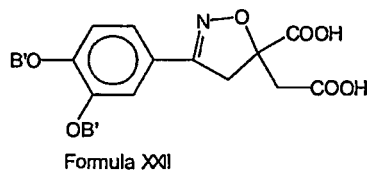


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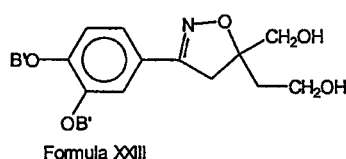
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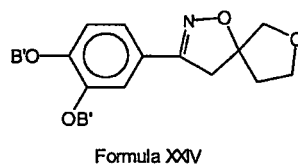
- d. hydrolyzing a compound of Formula XXI to give a compound of Formula XXII,



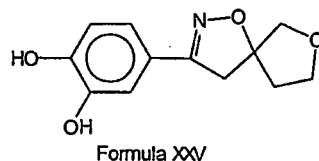
- e. reducing a compound of Formula XXII to give a compound of Formula XXIII,



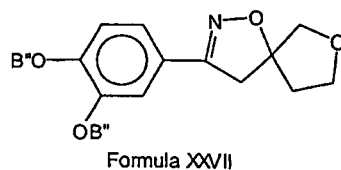
- f. cyclizing a compound of Formula XXIII to give a compound of Formula XXIV,



- g. deprotecting a compound of Formula XXIV to give a compound of Formula XXV,



- h. reacting a compound of Formula XXV with a compound of Formula B'' hal to give a compound of Formula XXVII



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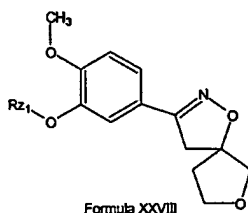
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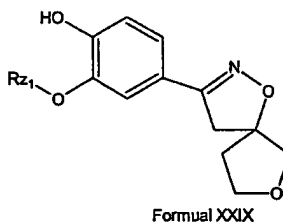
52 wherein  
53 B'' is alkyl; and  
54 hal is (Br, Cl or I).

1 9. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XXX, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or  
3 N oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

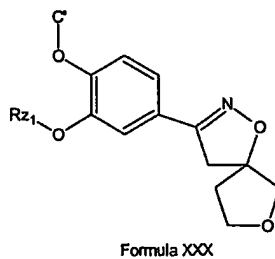
4 a. demethylating a compound of Formula XXVIII



to give a compound of Formula XXIX,



8 b. reacting a compound of Formula C'-hal to give a compound of  
9 Formula XXX



11 wherein  
12 R21 is the same as defined earlier;  
13 C' is heterocyclalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, cycloalkyl or C<sub>2-10</sub> alkyl optionally substituted  
14 with halogen.

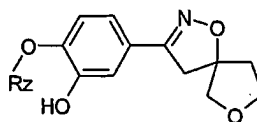
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1 10. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XXXV, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-  
3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XXXI



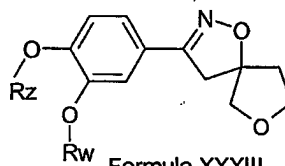
Formula XXXI

5  
6 with a compound of Formula XXXII

R<sub>w</sub>-hal

Formula XXXII

7  
8 to give a compound of Formula XXXIII,

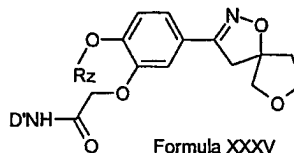


Formula XXXIII

9  
10 b. reacting a compound of Formula XXXIII with a compound of  
11 Formula XXXIV

D'NH<sub>2</sub>  
Formula XXXIV

12  
13 to give a compound of Formula XXXV,



Formula XXXV

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15 wherein

16 R<sub>z</sub> is alkyl optionally substituted with halogen or alkaryl;

17 R<sub>w</sub> is heteroarylalkyl, alkenyl or alkyl optionally substituted with cyano, carboxy or  
18 halogen;

19 hal is Br, Cl or I; and

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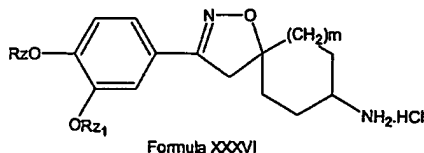
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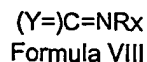
20 D' is cycloalkyl or hydrogen.

1 11. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XXXVII, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-  
3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

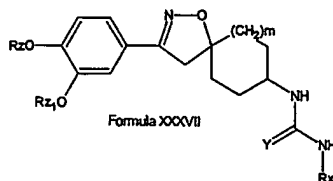
4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XXXVI



6 with a compound of Formula VIII



8 to give a compound of Formula XXXVII,



10 wherein

11 R<sub>2</sub> is alkyl optionally substituted with halogen or alkaryl;

12 R<sub>21</sub> is cycloalkylalkyl, alkaryl, cycloalkyl or alkyl optionally substituted with halogen;

13 R<sub>x</sub> is hydrogen, alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl, carboxy, cycloalkyl, -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub>, aryl,  
14 alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and heterocyclalkyl;

15 m is an integer between 0-2;

16 R<sub>5</sub> is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,  
17 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclalkyl; and

18 Y is oxygen or sulphur.

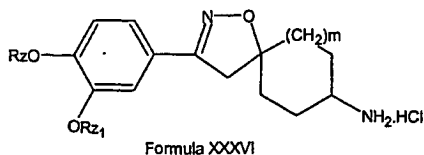
1 12. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XXXVIII, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or  
3 N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

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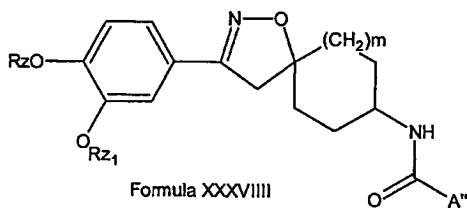
4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XXXVI



6 with a compound of Formula XII



8 to give a compound of Formula XXXVIII



10 wherein

11 R<sub>z</sub> is alkyl optionally substituted with halogen or alkaryl;

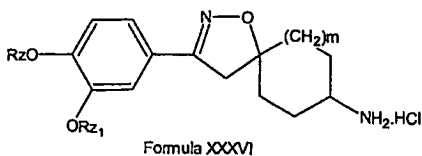
12 R<sub>z1</sub> is cycloalkylalkyl, alkaryl, cycloalkyl or alkyl optionally substituted with halogen;

13 m is an integer between 0-2; and

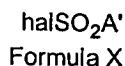
14 A'' is cycloalkyl, heterocyclyl or alkyl.

1 13. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XXXIX, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or  
3 N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XXXVI



6 with a compound of Formula X



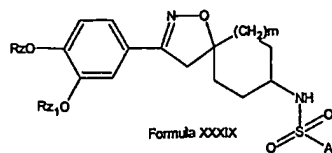
8 to give a compound of Formula XXXIX



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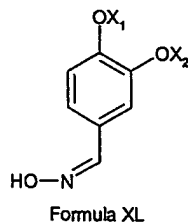


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14. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XLIII, its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

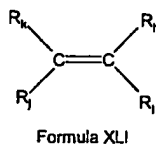
a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



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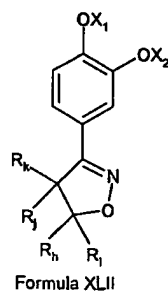
with a compound of Formula XLI



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to give a compound of Formula XLII,



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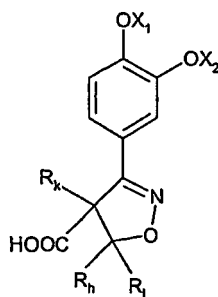
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b. hydrolyzing a compound of Formula XLII to give a compound of Formula XLIII,

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Formula XLIII

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14 wherein

15  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally

16 substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -COOalkyl and  $R_k$  is hydrogen;

17  $R_h$  is hydrogen or -CH<sub>2</sub>OH;  $R_i$  is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH and

18  $R_k$  is hydrogen,

19  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are

20 hydrogen;

21  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,

22 cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl, -

23 (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or - (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)OR<sub>3</sub>

24  $g$  is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3;

25  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of

26 Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3

27 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;

28  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;

29  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl,

30 carboxy, cycloalkyl, -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub>, aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and

31 heterocyclylalkyl;

32  $m$  is an integer between 0-2; and

33  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,

34 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl.

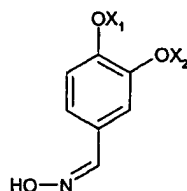
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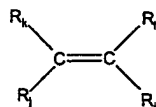
1 15. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XLIV, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or  
3 N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



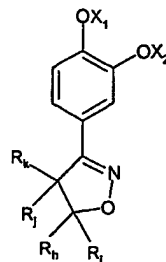
Formula XL

6 with a compound of Formula XLI



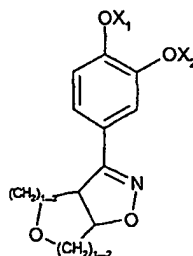
Formula XLI

8 to give a compound of Formula XLII,



Formula XLII

10 b. dehydrating a compound of Formula XLII to give a compound of  
11 Formula XLIV,



Formula XLIV

13 wherein

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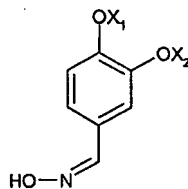
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- 14  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally  
 15 substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -COOalkyl and  $R_k$  is hydrogen;  
 16  $R_h$  is hydrogen or -CH<sub>2</sub>OH;  $R_i$  is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH and  
 17  $R_k$  is hydrogen,  
 18  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are  
 19 hydrogen;  
 20  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,  
 21 cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl, -  
 22 (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or - (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g1</sub>C(=O)OR<sub>3</sub>  
 23  $g$  is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3;  
 24  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of  
 25 Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3  
 26 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;  
 27  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;  
 28  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl,  
 29 carboxy, cycloalkyl, -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub>, aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
 30 heterocyclylalkyl;  
 31  $m$  is an integer between 0-2; and  
 32  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,  
 33 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl.

1 16. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XLVI, its pharmaceutically  
 2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-  
 3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



Formula XL

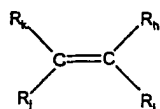
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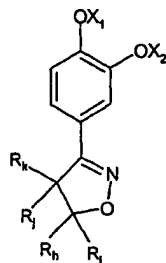
6 with a compound of Formula XLI



Formula XLI

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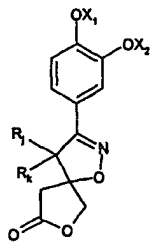
8 to give a compound of Formula XLII,



Formula XLII

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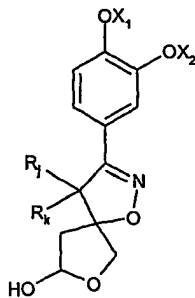
10 b. oxidizing a compound of Formula XLII to give a compound of  
11 Formula XLV



Formula XLV

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13 c. reducing a compound of Formula XLV to give a compound of  
14 Formula XLVI



Formula XLVI

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16 wherein

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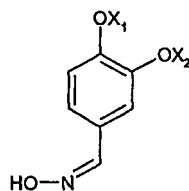
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- 17  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally  
 18 substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -COOalkyl and  $R_k$  is hydrogen;  
 19  $R_h$  is hydrogen or  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ ;  $R_i$  is  $-(\text{CH}_2)_{1-2}\text{OH}$ ;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or  $-(\text{CH}_2)_{1-2}\text{OH}$  and  
 20  $R_k$  is hydrogen;  
 21  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are  
 22 hydrogen;  
 23  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,  
 24 cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl, -  
 25  $(\text{CH}_2)_g\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{NR}_x\text{R}_y$  or  $-(\text{CH}_2)_{g1}\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OR}_3$   
 26  $g$  is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3;  
 27  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of  
 28 Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3  
 29 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;  
 30  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;  
 31  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl,  $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$  alkenyl,  $\text{C}_3\text{-C}_6$  alkynyl,  
 32 carboxy, cycloalkyl,  $-\text{S}(\text{O})_m\text{R}_5$ , aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
 33 heterocyclylalkyl;  
 34  $m$  is an integer between 0-2; and  
 35  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,  
 36 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl.

1 17. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XLVIII, its pharmaceutically  
 2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or  
 3 N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



Formula XL

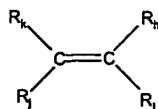
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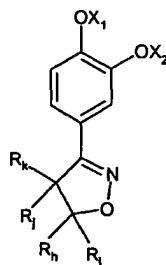
6 with a compound of Formula XLI



Formula XLI

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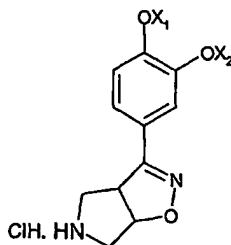
8 to give a compound of Formula XLII,



Formula XLII

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10 b. deprotecting a compound of Formula XLII to give a compound of  
11 Formula XLVII,



Formula XLVII

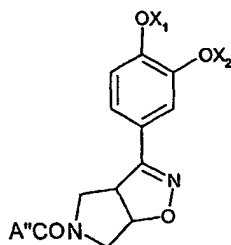
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13 c. reacting a compound of Formula XLVII with a compound of Formula XII



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15 to give a compound of Formula XLVIII



Formula XLVIII

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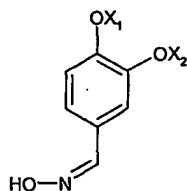
- 17 wherein
- 18  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally
- 19 substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -COOalkyl and  $R_k$  is hydrogen;
- 20  $R_h$  is hydrogen or -CH<sub>2</sub>OH;  $R_i$  is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH and
- 21  $R_k$  is hydrogen;
- 22  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are
- 23 hydrogen;
- 24  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,
- 25 cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl, -
- 26 (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or - (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g1</sub>C(=O)OR<sub>3</sub>
- 27  $g$  is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3;
- 28  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of
- 29 Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3
- 30 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;
- 31  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;
- 32  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl,
- 33 carboxy, cycloalkyl, -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub>, aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and
- 34 heterocyclylalkyl;
- 35  $m$  is an integer between 0-2;
- 36  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,
- 37 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl; and
- 38 A'' is cycloalkyl, heterocyclyl or alkyl.
- 1 18. A method for preparing a compound of Formula XLIX, its pharmaceutically
- 2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or
- 3 N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:
- 4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



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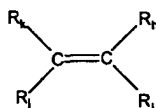
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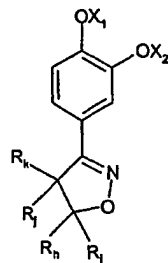
Formula XL

with a compound of Formula XLI



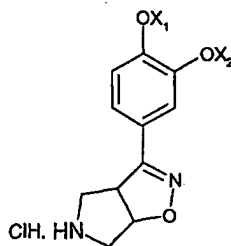
Formula XLI

to give a compound of Formula XLII,



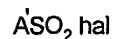
Formula XLII

b. deprotecting a compound of Formula XLII to give a compound of Formula XLVII,



Formula XLVII

reacting a compound of Formula XLVII with a compound of Formula X



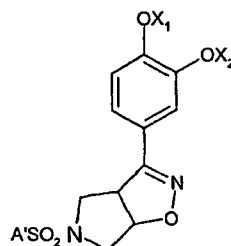
Formula X

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15 to give a compound of Formula XLIX,



Formula XLIX

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17 wherein

18  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally  
19 substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -COOalkyl and  $R_k$  is hydrogen;

20  $R_h$  is hydrogen or -CH<sub>2</sub>OH;  $R_i$  is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH and  
21  $R_k$  is hydrogen,

22  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are  
23 hydrogen;

24  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,  
25 cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl, -  
26 (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or - (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g1</sub>C(=O)OR<sub>3</sub>

27  $g$  is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3;

28  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of  
29 Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3  
30 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;

31  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;

32  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl,  
33 carboxy, cycloalkyl, -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub>, aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
34 heterocyclylalkyl;

35  $m$  is an integer between 0-2;

36  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,  
37 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl; and

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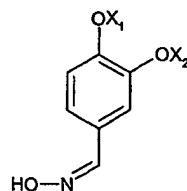
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38 A' is  $-NR_xR_y$  or alkyl,

1 19. A method for preparing a compound of Formula L, its pharmaceutically acceptable  
2 salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-oxides  
3 wherein the method comprises the steps of:

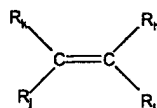
4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



Formula XL

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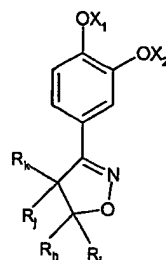
6 with a compound of Formula XLI



Formula XLI

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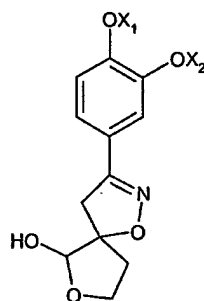
8 to give a compound of Formula XLII,



Formula XLII

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10 b. deprotecting a compound of Formula XLII to give a compound of Formula  
11 L



Formula L

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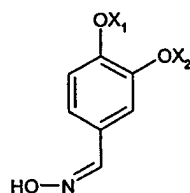
- 13           wherein
  - 14            $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally
  - 15           substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or  $-COOalkyl$  and  $R_k$  is hydrogen;
  - 16            $R_h$  is hydrogen or  $-CH_2OH$ ;  $R_i$  is  $-(CH_2)_{1-2}OH$ ;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or  $-(CH_2)_{1-2}OH$  and
  - 17            $R_k$  is hydrogen;
  - 18            $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are
  - 19           hydrogen;
  - 20            $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,
  - 21           cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl, -
  - 22            $(CH_2)_gC(=O)NR_xR_y$  or  $-(CH_2)_{g1}C(=O)OR_3$
  - 23            $g$  is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3;
  - 24            $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of
  - 25           Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3
  - 26           heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;
  - 27            $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;
  - 28            $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl,  $C_3-C_6$  alkenyl,  $C_3-C_6$  alkynyl,
  - 29           carboxy, cycloalkyl,  $-S(O)_mR_5$ , aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and
  - 30           heterocyclylalkyl;
  - 31            $m$  is an integer between 0-2; and
  - 32            $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,
  - 33           heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl.
- 1   20.   A method for preparing a compound of Formula LII, its pharmaceutically  
2   acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-  
3   oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

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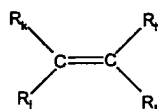
4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



Formula XL

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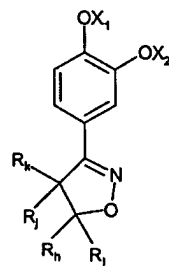
6 with a compound of Formula XLI



Formula XLI

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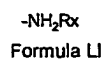
8 to give a compound of Formula XLII,



Formula XLII

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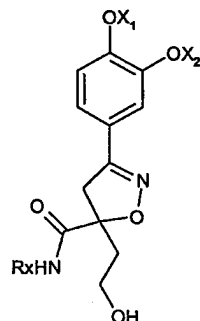
10 b. reacting a compound of Formula XLII with a compound of Formula LI



Formula LI

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12 to give a compound of Formula LII



Formula LII

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14 wherein

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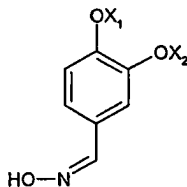
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- 15  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally  
 16 substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -COOalkyl and  $R_k$  is hydrogen;  
 17  $R_h$  is hydrogen or -CH<sub>2</sub>OH;  $R_i$  is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH and  
 18  $R_k$  is hydrogen;  
 19  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are  
 20 hydrogen;  
 21  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,  
 22 cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl, -  
 23 (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or - (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)OR<sub>3</sub>  
 24  $g$  is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3;  
 25  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of  
 26 Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3  
 27 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;  
 28  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;  
 29  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl,  
 30 carboxy, cycloalkyl, -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub>, aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
 31 heterocyclylalkyl;  
 32  $m$  is an integer between 0-2; and  
 33  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,  
 34 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl.

1 21. A method for preparing a compound of Formula LIV, its pharmaceutically  
 2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or  
 3 N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



Formula XL

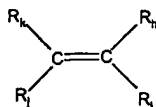
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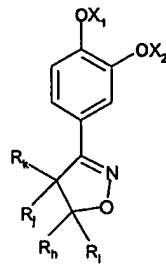
6 with a compound of Formula XLI



Formula XLI

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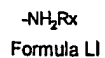
8 to give a compound of Formula XLII,



Formula XLII

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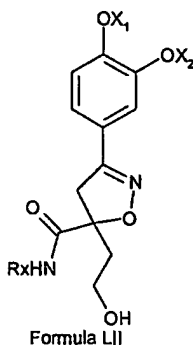
10 b. reacting a compound of Formula XLII with a compound of Formula LI



Formula LI

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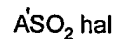
12 to give a compound of Formula LII



Formula LII

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14 c. reacting a compound of Formula LII with a compound of Formula X



Formula X

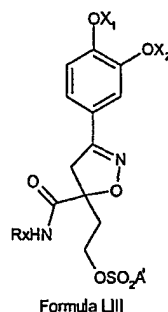
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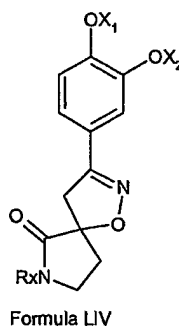
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16 to give a compound of Formula LIII



18 d. cyclizing a compound of Formula LIII to give a compound of Formula LIV



20 wherein

21  $R_h$  and  $R_i$  together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally  
 22 substituted with alkaryl or oxo;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or  $-\text{COOalkyl}$  and  $R_k$  is hydrogen;

23  $R_h$  is hydrogen or  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ ;  $R_i$  is  $-(\text{CH}_2)_{1-2}\text{OH}$ ;  $R_j$  is hydrogen or  $-(\text{CH}_2)_{1-2}\text{OH}$  and  
 24  $R_k$  is hydrogen;

25  $R_i$  and  $R_j$  together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring;  $R_h$  and  $R_k$  are  
 26 hydrogen;

27  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,  
 28 cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl,  $-(\text{CH}_2)_g\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{NR}_x\text{R}_y$  or  $-(\text{CH}_2)_{g1}\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OR}_3$

30  $g$  is an integer from 0-3 and  $g_1$  is an integer from 1-3;

31  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of  
 32 Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3  
 33 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;



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34  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;

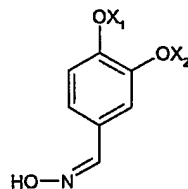
35  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkenyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkynyl,  
36 carboxy, cycloalkyl,  $-S(O)_mR_5$ , aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
37 heterocyclylalkyl;

38  $m$  is an integer between 0-2; and

39  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,  
40 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl.

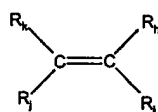
1 22. A method for preparing a compound of Formula LIVa, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or  
3 N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula XL



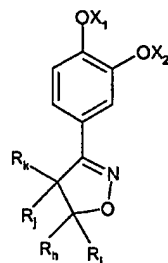
Formula XL

5  
6 with a compound of Formula XLI



Formula XLI

7  
8 to give a compound of Formula XLII,



Formula XLII

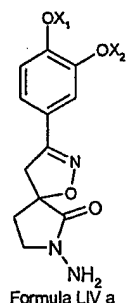
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- 10           b.       reacting a compound of Formula XLII with hydrazine hydrochloride to  
11                   give a compound of Formula LIVa



- 12  
13       wherein  
14           R<sub>h</sub> and R<sub>i</sub> together join to form a cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring optionally  
15           substituted with alkaryl or oxo; R<sub>j</sub> is hydrogen or -COOalkyl and R<sub>k</sub> is hydrogen;  
16           R<sub>h</sub> is hydrogen or -CH<sub>2</sub>OH; R<sub>i</sub> is -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH; R<sub>j</sub> is hydrogen or -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>1-2</sub>OH and  
17           R<sub>k</sub> is hydrogen;  
18           R<sub>i</sub> and R<sub>j</sub> together joins to form cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl ring; R<sub>h</sub> and R<sub>k</sub> are  
19           hydrogen;  
20           X<sub>1</sub> and X<sub>2</sub> are each independently hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl,  
21           cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl, -  
22           (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or - (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)OR<sub>3</sub>  
23           g is an integer from 0-3 and g<sub>1</sub> is an integer from 1-3;  
24           X<sub>1</sub> and X<sub>2</sub> together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A of Formula I,  
25           the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3 heteroatoms selected  
26           from the group consisting of N, O and S;  
27           R<sub>3</sub> is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;  
28           R<sub>x</sub> and R<sub>y</sub> each independently is hydrogen, alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl, carboxy,  
29           cycloalkyl, -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub>, aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
30           heterocyclylalkyl;  
31           m is an integer between 0-2; and  
32           R<sub>5</sub> is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,  
33           heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl.

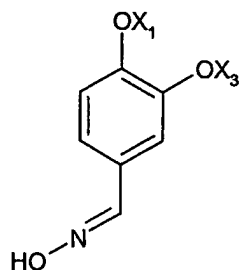
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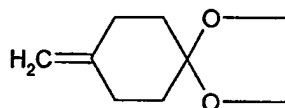
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a. reacting a compound of Formula LV



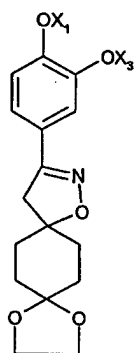
Formula LV

with a compound of Formula LVI



Formula LVI

to give a compound of Formula LVII,



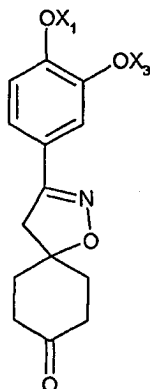
Formula LVII

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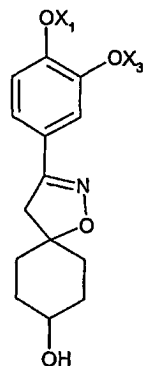
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- 11           b.     deprotecting a compound of Formula LVII to give a compound of  
12                    Formula LVIII,



Formula LVIII

- 13  
14           c.     reducing a compound of Formula LVIII to give a compound of  
15                    Formula LIX,  
16



Formula LIX

- 17  
18     wherein  
19     X<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl,  
20     heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclalkyl,  $-(CH_2)_gC(=O)NR_xR_y$  or  $-(CH_2)_{g1}C(=O)OR_3$   
21  
22     g is an integer from 0-3;  
23     g<sub>1</sub> is an integer from 1-3;  
24     R<sub>3</sub> is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;

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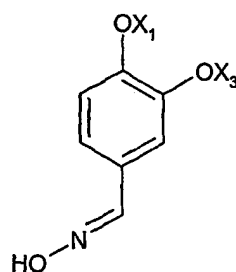
25  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkenyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkynyl, carboxy,  
 26 cycloalkyl,  $-S(O)_mR_5$ , aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
 27 heterocyclylalkyl;

28  $m$  is an integer between 0-2; and

29  $X_3$  is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl,  
 30 heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl).

1 24. A method for preparing a compound of Formula LX, its pharmaceutically acceptable  
 2 salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-oxides  
 3 wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula LV

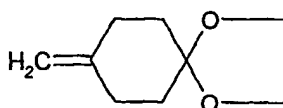


Formula LV

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7 with a compound of Formula LVI



Formula LVI

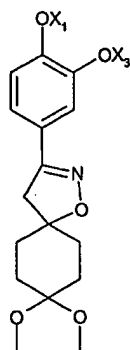
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9 to give a compound of Formula LVII,

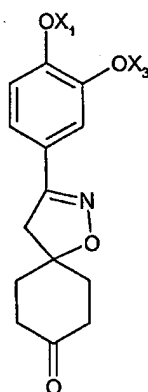


Formula LVII

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b. deprotecting a compound of Formula LVII to give a compound of  
12 Formula LVIII,



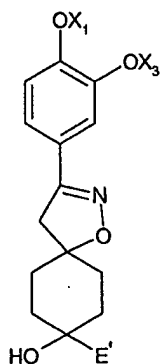
Formula LVIII

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c. reacting a compound of Formula LVIII with a compound of  
15 Formula E'Mghal to give a compound of Formula LX

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Formula LX

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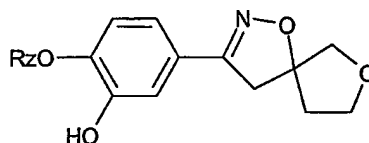
- 18 wherein
- 19 E' is alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl;
- 20 hal is Br, Cl or I;
- 21 X<sub>1</sub> is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl,
- 22 heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl,  $-(CH_2)_gC(=O)NR_xR_y$  or  $-(CH_2)_{g_1}C(=O)OR_3$
- 23 (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g<sub>1</sub></sub>C(=O)OR<sub>3</sub>
- 24 g is an integer from 0-3;
- 25 g<sub>1</sub> is an integer from 1-3;
- 26 R<sub>3</sub> is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;
- 27 R<sub>x</sub> and R<sub>y</sub> each independently is hydrogen, alkyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>6</sub> alkynyl, carboxy,
- 28 cycloalkyl, -S(O)<sub>m</sub>R<sub>5</sub>, aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and
- 29 heterocyclylalkyl;
- 30 m is an integer between 0-2; and
- 31 X<sub>3</sub> is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl,
- 32 heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclylalkyl).

1 25. A method for preparing a compound of Formula LXIII, its pharmaceutically

2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-

3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula LXI

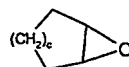


Formula LXI

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with a compound of Formula LXII



Formula LXII

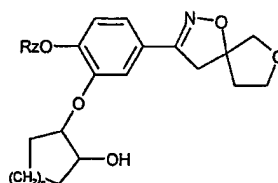
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8 to give a compound of Formula LXIII



Formula LXIII

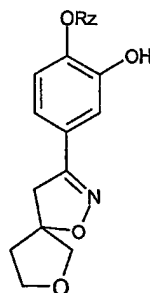
10 wherein

11 Rz is alkyl optionally substituted with halogen or alkaryl; and

12 c is an integer from 1-3.

1 26. A method for preparing a compound of Formula LXVII, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-  
3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

4 a. reacting a compound of Formula LXIV



Formula LXIV

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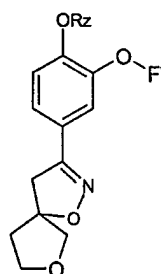
6 with a compound of Formula LXV



Formula LXV

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8 to give a compound of Formula LXVI,



Formula LXVI

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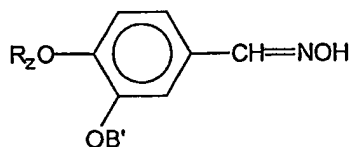


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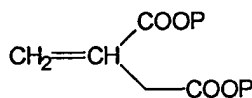
6 with hydroxyl amine hydrochloride to give a compound of Formula LXIX,



Formula LXIX

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8 b. reacting a compound of Formula LXIX with a compound of Formula XX

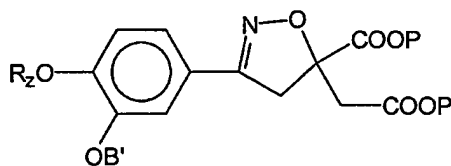


Formula XX

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10 to give a compound of Formula LXX,

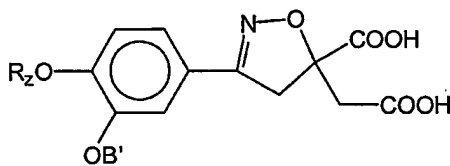
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Formula LXX

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13 c. hydrolyzing a compound of Formula LXX to give a compound of  
14 Formula LXXI,

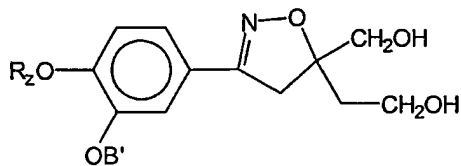


Formula LXXI

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17 d. reducing a compound of Formula LXXI to give a compound of  
18 Formula LXXII,



Formula LXXII

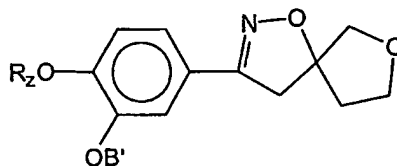
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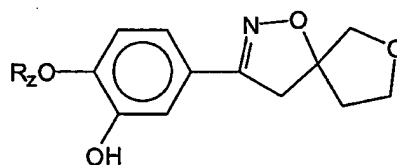
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- 20 e. cyclizing a compound of Formula LXXII to give a compound of  
21 Formula LXXIII,



Formula LXXIII

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23 f. deprotecting a compound of Formula LXXIII to give a compound of  
24 Formula LXXIV,

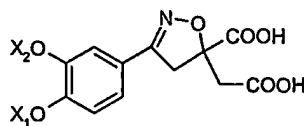


Formula LXXIV

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26  
27 wherein  
28 P is alkyl or alkaryl;  
29 B' is alkaryl; and  
30 R<sub>z</sub> is alkyl optionally substituted with halogen or alkaryl.

1 28. A method for preparing a compound of Formula LXXX, its pharmaceutically  
2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or N-  
3 oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

- 4 a. reacting a compound of Formula LXXV



Formula LXXV

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6 with a compound of Formula LXXVI

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Formula LXXVI

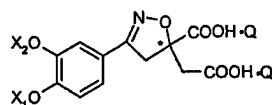
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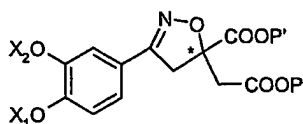
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8 to give a compound of Formula LXXVII,



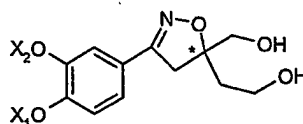
Formula LXXVII

10 b. protecting a compound of Formula LXXVII with a compound of Formula  
11 P'-OH to give a compound of Formula LXXVIII,



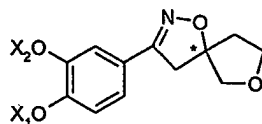
Formula LXXVIII

13 c. reducing a compound of Formula LXXVIII to give a compound of  
14 Formula LXXIX,



Formula LXXIX

16 d. cyclizing a compound of Formula LXXIX to give a compound of  
17 Formula LXXX,



Formula LXXX

19 wherein

20 X<sub>1</sub> and X<sub>2</sub> is hydrogen, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, alkenyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heteroaryl,  
21 heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclalkyl, -(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g</sub>C(=O)NR<sub>x</sub>R<sub>y</sub> or -

22 (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>g1</sub>C(=O)OR<sub>3</sub>;

23 g is an integer from 0-3 ;

24 g<sub>1</sub> is an integer from 1-3;

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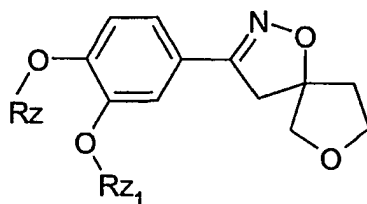
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- 25  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  together can optionally form a cyclic ring fused with the ring A shown in  
 26 Formula I, the ring containing 3-5 carbon atoms within the ring and having 2-3  
 27 heteroatoms selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;  
 28  $R_3$  is alkyl, cycloalkyl or heterocyclyl;  
 29  $R_x$  and  $R_y$  each independently is hydrogen, alkyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkenyl,  $C_3$ - $C_6$  alkynyl, carboxy,  
 30 cycloalkyl,  $-S(O)_mR_5$ , aryl, alkaryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl, heteroarylalkyl, and  
 31 heterocyclylalkyl;  
 32  $m$  is an integer between 0-2;  
 33  $R_5$  is hydrogen, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, aryl, cycloalkyl, alkaryl, heteroaryl,  
 34 heteroarylalkyl, heterocyclyl or heterocyclylalkyl;  
 35  $Q$  is a chiral resolving agent selected from L-Ephedrine, D-Ephedrine, Brucine, (1S, 2R)  
 36 (-)-cis-1-amino-2-indanol, (1R, 2S) (+)-cis-1-amino-2-indanol, (1R, 2R)-(-)-1,2-diamino  
 37 cyclohexane or (1S, 2S)-(+)-1,2-diamino cyclohexane or  $\alpha$ -methylbenzylamine; and  
 38  $P'$  is alkyl.

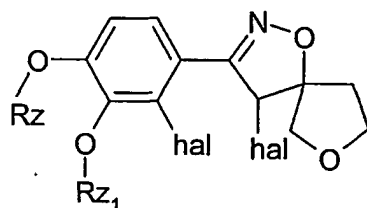
- 1 29. A method for preparing a compound of Formula LXXXV, its pharmaceutically  
 2 acceptable salts, pharmaceutically acceptable solvates, enantiomers, diastereomers or  
 3 N-oxides wherein the method comprises the steps of:

- 4 a. halogenating a compound of Formula LXXXI



Formula LXXXI

- 6 give compounds of Formula LXXXII



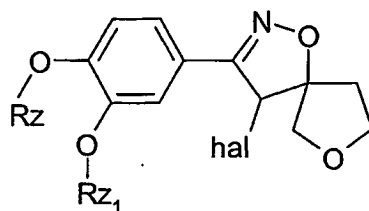
Formula LXXXII

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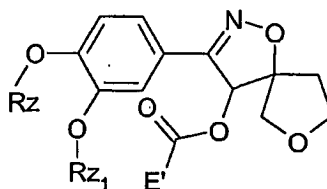
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8 and LXXXIII,



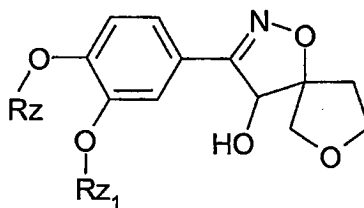
Formula LXXXIII

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10 b. reacting a compound of Formula LXXXIII with a compound of Formula  
11 E'COONa to give a compound of Formula LXXXIV,



Formula LXXXIV

12  
13 c. hydrolyzing a compound of Formula LXXXIV to give a compound of  
14 Formula XXXV,



Formula LXXXV

15

16 wherein

17 Rz is alkyl optionally substituted with halogen or alkaryl;

18 Rz1 is cycloalkylalkyl, alkaryl, cycloalkyl or alkyl optionally substituted with halogen);and

19 E' is alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl.